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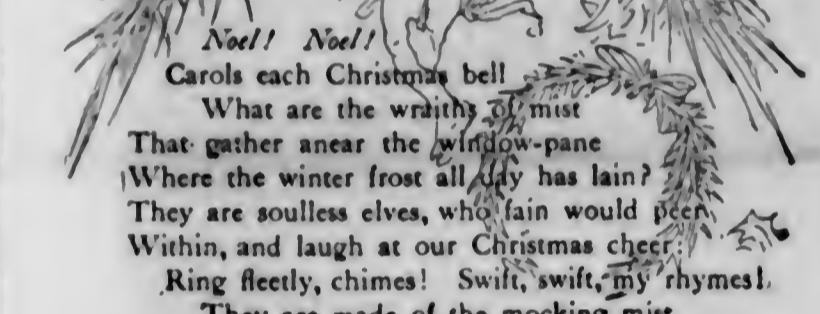
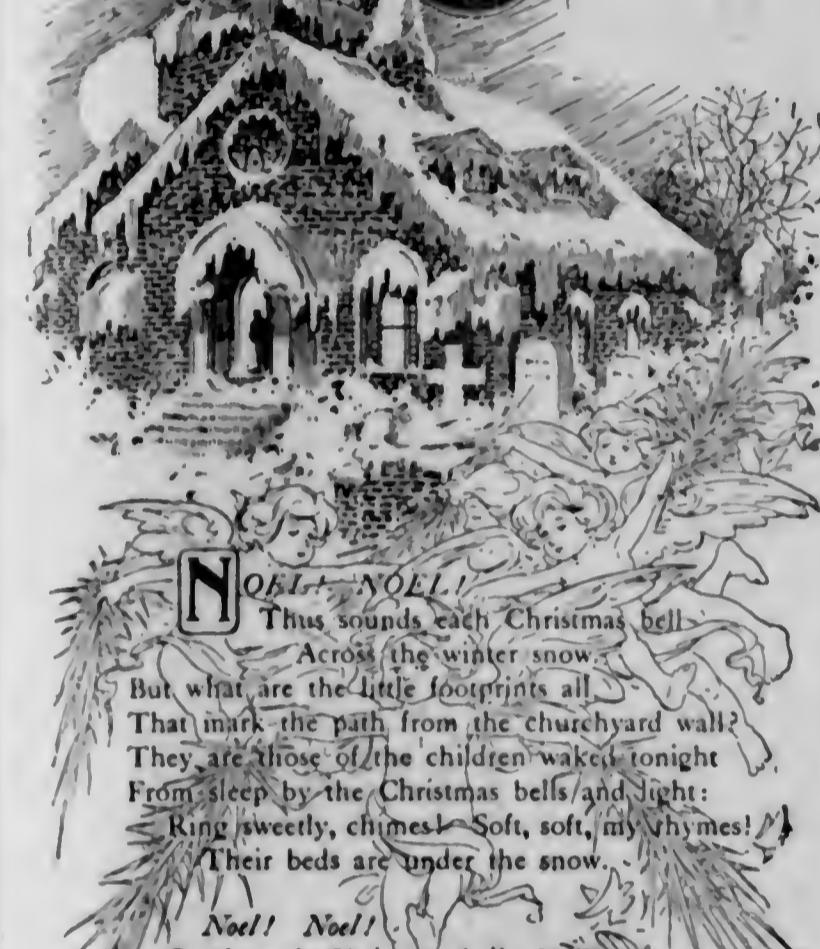
HICKMAN, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1911

Number 26

This Paper
Always Stopswhen your time is
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A Blue Mark

Guests At Jule



LOST TWO CHILDREN
Both Die Within 48
Hours of Whooping Cough.

The home of William Aller and wife residing in the Bond addition, will be sad indeed while most of us are enjoying the festivities of the world's greatest holiday. Two of their little ones were taken from them last week, a son age 3 and a daughter age 1. The eldest died Wednesday evening and the other Thursday morning. Whooping cough caused their death.

Two little new-made graves at Brownsville mark the last resting place of the priceless treasures of what was an humble but happy home a few days ago.

There are three children left. The family have our sympathy.

LACE CURTAINS laundered at 50¢ to \$1 a pair. We make a specialty of lace curtains and guarantee satisfaction.—Hickman Steam Laundry.

Mrs. Helen Anderson, age 75, died at her home in the Chapel Grove vicinity Thursday, of pneumonia.



This Christmas Sale OF Fine Clothing

Gives you the chance to save money at a time when you most need it.

Your family and friends will be happier for your good appearance, and you for the thought of the money you have saved.

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Suits and Overcoats	
\$22.50 Hart Schaffner & Marx	18.00
Suits and Overcoats	
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\$18.50 "The Frat" make Suits	15.00
and Overcoats	
\$15.00 the "Frat" make Suits	12.00
and Overcoats	
\$12.50 the "Frat" make Suits	10.00
and Overcoats	
\$10.00 Suits and Overcoats	8.00

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\$6.00 Perfection Suits and Overcoats	4.80
\$5.00 Perfection Suits and Overcoats	4.25
\$3.50 Perfection Suits and Overcoats	3.00
Odds and Ends in Straight Pant Suits at exactly	1-2 Price

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Congressman Thomas has announced that he would seek to have a state wide primary bill introduced in the Kentucky Legislature.

Houston B. Wilson, a farmer residing near Hickory Grove, Ky., has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court at Paducah. His liabilities amount to approximately \$695.95 with no assets.

Capt. Lawrence McMakin took the Str. Arenger Box Company to Mound City Saturday where the steamer will be put on the ways and undergo extensive repairs. The repairs will be completed by the latter part of the week.

Speaker Champ Clark has predicted that the regular session of the Sixty-second Congress would extend through the summer and into the autumn. Majority Leader Underwood thinks the Democratic caucus will approve immediate action by the Ways and Means committee on the tariff question.

The Democratic party of Kentucky mustn't do any "shenanigan" at Frankfort this winter. The state will remain Democratic so long as the party keeps its platform promises. If it violates them, the voters won't find it at all difficult to overcome 12,000 normal Democratic majority in the state.

Now have we reached the season when the little "window wishes" are to be seen in their wistful abundance. They may be seen looking into every shop window, with a pathetic look of yearning that must appeal to the most unobservant eye. Christmas will mean but little to them unless you add in making it something.

J. O. STUBBS
Dentist
La Cledo Building, over Brevard's Store
Phone No. 51

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Those who are indebted to me are notified to come and settle at once—not later than January 1, 1912—and save cost.

I also wish to thank you all for your patronage during the present year. I am trusting that I will do a bigger business next year than I did in 1911, and I am going to try and sell goods cheaper next year than I ever have, giving you the same quality of goods.

You are cordially invited to make my shop your headquarters any time you wish to do so.

Thanking one and all for the past favors and wishing you a merry Christmas and Happy New Year, respectively,

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Hickman, Kentucky

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

All parties holding claims against the estate of J. D. Webster, deceased, are hereby notified to file same with the undersigned, properly proven, on or before March 1st, 1912, or they will be forever barred.

All parties indebted to the estate are requested to come forward and settle and save costs of a suit.

GEO. L. WHITE, Executor.

Sam Salmon is in Brinkley, Ark., this week on business.

Miss Mai Meyers returned to New Madrid, Mo., Friday of last week after a weeks visit to Miss Nannie Meyers.

Irvine Brevard went to the Hunter Tract, Craig's Landing, Friday on business with that branch of the Mengel Box Co.

Mrs. V. Ash returned to her home in Lutsville, Mo., Friday, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. W. H. Heath, of the La Cledo Hotel.

Christmas Legends

ALL around the season of the Coming of Love as a little Child there have sprung legends and beliefs, like blossoms in a gracious clime, which testify with subtlety to the depth of the appeal of the birth of Christ. Here divinely spiritual symbolism and there sweet human tenderness and pathos appear, and, blended, they evidence the world's belief that this was both Son of Man and Son of God.

An Irish legend tells that, on Christmas eve, the Christ-Child wanders out in the darkness and cold, and the peasants still put lighted candles in their windows to guide the sacred little feet, that they may not stumble on their way to their homes. And in Hungary the people go yet further in their tenderness for the Child, they spread feasts and leave their doors open that He may enter at His will, while throughout Christendom there is a belief that no evil can touch any child who is born on Christmas eve.

The legend which tells how the very bay which lined the manger in which the Holy Babe was laid put forth living red blossoms at midwinter at the touch of the Babe's body could only have arisen from belief in the renewal of life through the Lord of Life.

The Holy Thorn.

It is not so many centuries ago since there was that holy thorn at Glastonbury which blossomed every Christmas, and, so ran the legend, had done ever since St. Joseph of Arimathea, having come as apostle to Britain, and, landing at Glastonbury, had stuck his staff of dry hawthorn into the soil, commanding it to put forth leaves and blossoms. This the staff straightway did, and thereby was the king converted to the Christian faith, the faith which preached life from death.

The holy thorn of Glastonbury flourished during the centuries until the civil wars. During those it was uprooted; but several persons had had trees growing from cuttings from the original tree, and those continued to bloom at the Christ-season. Just as their parent, which had grown from St. Joseph's staff, had bloomed. And about the middle of the 18th century it was recorded in the Gentleman's Magazine how the famous holy thorn would not deign to recognize the new style calendar, which had then come into force but would persist in blossoming as of old on old Christmas day!

In those days the anniversary of the advent of the Babe had certainly meant more to the common people than merely a time for feasting and revelry, for giving and receiving; it had been also a season for holy observances, for they refused to go to church on New Christmas day, the holy thorn not being then in blossom. So serious became the trouble that the clergy found it prudent to announce that Old Christmas day should also be kept sacred as before. Only another story of men's weak, superstitious minds! True, perhaps; but they are better who evidence some spiritual weakness than those who wallow in the wholly material, and when we cease to be careful of the cup and the platter, we become not over careful of their contents.

The First Christmas Rose.

ANOTHER of those spiritual parables in the legend of the Christmas rose, and it tells how good things, fit for giving, spring up ready to the hand which earnestly desires to give to the Child. It is said that a certain maiden of Bethlehem was so poor that she had nothing to give to the Babe to whom kings brought wealth from afar, and, as she stood, longing and mourning, an angel appeared to her, saying: "Look at thy feet, beneath the snow," and lo! on obeying the maiden found that a new flower had miraculously sprung up and blossomed at her needs. Every since then, runs this story, this exquisite flower, with its snowy petals just touched by suggestions of pinkish bloom, is to be found at this season; and, indeed, its half-opened cups are like chalices of love, and its fully-spread petals are like a happy innocence, fit symbols for the gifts for the Babe of spotless innocence, whose heart was the vessel of love.

Christmas Eve Legends.

THERE are several exceedingly touching legends concerning bells, which are heard ringing from buried cities and villages at this season. One belongs to a village near Raleigh, in Nottinghamshire, and the story runs that once, where there is now but a valley, there was a village which, with every trace of life and habitation, had been swallowed by an earthquake; but ever since, at Christmas, the bells of the buried church are heard to ring as of old.

A similar legend is told of Preston, in Lancashire, and yet another and more moving one comes from the Netherlands. It is said that the city of Breda was notorious for its black and shameless sins, as well as renowned for its beauty and magnificence. To the Sodom of the middle ages came our Savior on one anniversary of his birth, and went as a beggar from door to door, but not one in all that Christmas keeping city gave the Master of the abundance. Sin he saw rampant on every side, but not

a trace of Christmas bounty and goodwill, and he called to the sea, which, as of old, obeyed his voice, and Breda, the city of sin, was buried deep, clean out of sight, beneath the waves. But ever at Christmas up from beneath the covering waters comes the sweet calling of church bells buried in Breda. It is a legend which appears to tell in parable that nothing which ever belonged to the Christ, and was dedicated to his service, is ever wholly lost from him and alienated from service; that ever and again something of their inherent beauty and compelling sweetness rises from the depths through all seeming ruin.

The Manger.

RADITION declares that within the stone manger there was another one of wood, and that the stone cradle in the Chapel of the Nativity is, indeed, the outer manger. Splendid is that humble stone trough now with white marble, softly rich with costly draperies, and radiant with a silver star, which is surrounded by 16 lamps, ever alit. But yet more glorious is the wooden manger at Rome, held to be the veritable manger in which the Christ-child lay. It was removed to Rome in the seventh century, during the Mohammedan invasion of the Holy Land, and there it is preserved in a strong brazen chest, from which it is brought forth on Christmas days, when it is placed on the Grand Altar. It is mounted upon a stand of silver, which is inlaid with gold and gems, and the shrine in which it rests is of purest rock crystal. In the days in which this was accomplished men, whatsoever may have been their shortcomings in other directions, gave magnificently to the Church Visible.

Christmas Bells.

RADITION says that the hour of the Babe's birth was the hour of midnight, and legend adds that from then until dawn cocks crow. In Ireland it is held that who looks into a mirror on this eve will see the devil or Judas Iscariot looking over his shoulder, surely thought sufficient to drive the hardest soul to a thought of the innocent Babe.

Another legend tells that, on Christmas eve, Judas Iscariot is released from that hell—"his own place"—and is allowed to return to earth that he may cool himself in icy waters.

Wild and improbable although such and such legends appear on their faces, they bear study and repay it, for we then see that they are full of subtle spiritual expression, as it were; that they are parables of certain spiritual facts, and it will be ill for us should the Christmas day ever dawn on which such flowers of tender faith and wonder shall appear to us no more than dry curious specimens from the dead roots of superstition.

What Christmas Means.

Christmas means hope and its realization. The child grows eagerly expectant as the time approaches for the visit of Santa Claus. While this fiction remains unquestioned, the imagination opens new and wider worlds, and ideals become so much a part of the mind that the prosaic and commonplace can never crush them. Until the youth reaches manhood and independence, Christmas is the happiest day of the year. Its gifts and hearty good cheer impress family affection, parental thoughtfulness and brotherly love. The dullest and most irresponsible of fathers and mothers are uplifted to a vision of higher life by the interchanges of souvenirs and the merry meeting with children and grandchildren at the table and fireside. Few can escape and all enjoy the meaning of the festival, the lessons it conveys and the inspiration it gives, and we enter upon a brighter future and a fuller appreciation of the benefice of the practice of faith, hope and charity. The loved ones who have crossed to the other side, the loved near and far who are still with us, the old homestead with its precious memories, the old church whose sacred associations tie together childhood, maturity and age, love, marriage and death; the schoolhouse where the beginnings of education were so painful, and the ever-increasing pleasures of the pursuit of learning through the high school, academy and college are recalled and recited, and there is exquisite delight in these oft-told tales, and new experiences enliven this blessed anniversary.—Lesser's Weekly.

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First Christmas Observance.

Christmas gets its name from the mass celebrated in the early days of the Christian church in honor of the birth of Christ, its first solemnization having been ordered by Pope Telesphorus. This was in or before the year 138, for in that year Pope Telesphorus died.

At first Christmas was what is known as a movable feast, just as Easter is now, and owing to misunderstandings was celebrated as late as April or May. In the fourth century an ecclesiastical investigation was ordered, and upon the authority of the tables of the censors in the Roman archives December 25 was agreed upon as the date of the Savior's nativity. Tradition fixed the hour of birth at about midnight, and this led to the celebration of a midnight mass in all the churches, a second at dawn and a third in the later morning.

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Will be to Your Advantage

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Get your Furniture at Hickman Furniture Co.

Don't be deceived by to much about cheap shingles. We will furnish you the same goods for less money and can furnish you a better shingle if you want it.—C. M. Yates Co.



New Jewelry Store

You are invited to call and see our beautiful Christmas display of

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China and Cut Glass, Etc.

in great variety and of the best quality and newest designs. I mean to please you, and will guarantee that no one can or will undersell me in quality or price. In business to stay means only the best of goods to be had. I want your business and mean to have it if solid merit will get it.

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BROOKS, The Jeweler

CLING TO ONE-PIECE STYLE

Fashion Makers Not Likely to Be Successful in Efforts to Effect a Change.

There has been a slight effort on the part of fashion makers to bring back into favor the two-piece costume—that is, the separate skirt and bodice—but from the advanced fall styles it would seem that they were not successful.

With the high empire skirts no little material is consumed in the making of the waist that women demand the bodice to be made of the same material as the skirt. If not, then some pretty soft fabric that exactly matches it in color.

Even with coat suits the coming season will see blouses matching the color of the cloth used in the suit.

The short, straight skirt, high waist line and loose blouse with a slightly low-cut neck, although not new in design, will be worn all winter. The newest models are trimmed with lace embroidery, braid and buttons in ways that give them quite a distinctive touch.

Heavy silk cord outlines the joining point of bodice and skirt and is fastened on the side with a twisted loop. Long tasseled ends fall almost to the hem of the skirt.

The slightly low neck is finished with a plaited collar of handkerchief linen edged with cluny or a fine valenciennes lace. There is a cravat of silk tied in a flat bow or four-in-hand having two narrow ends hanging to the waist line and weighted with silk tassels.

Beneath the three-quarter sleeve is a four-inch undersleeve of net. Such a frock can be made of satin, silk, serice, worsted, or one of the soft cashmere that will be much worn during the fall.

DARK GOWNS EASY TO CLEAN

May Be Sponged With Strong Tea or Coffee, or Even Put Into the Wash tub.

From month to month we go on wearing black clothes, and we never seem to think that they require cleaning. It is enough that the dirt "doesn't show"—we don't worry at all about its being there all the time. Think how quickly soiled a white garment would be and how a couple of days makes our muslin waists yearn for the wash tub, and perhaps you will realize that black, too, is unhygienic and unclean, even when it looks all right, and much more so when it has actually the appearance of being soiled and rusty.

At any time the appearance of black clothes may be greatly improved if they are thoroughly sponged with a strong infusion of tea or coffee, provided they are first of all well brushed and shaken. But they may also be washed without coming to grief. Experiment with a blouse and go on to a skirt, and you will soon see how successfully voile, serge, cashmere, lawn and cloth may be cleaned.

Add a little ammonia to lukewarm water and well souse the garment, without, however, rubbing it; then take it out, squeeze it but do not wring it, plunge it into cold water, then hang it, dripping, in the air to dry, having selected, of course, a fresh and breezy day for washing. Before beginning the process all stains should first be removed.

"1820 BONNETS"



The helmet has, by gradual stages, developed into an out and out bonnet—a bonnet borrowed from the days of our great-grandmothers. This new bonnet comes from an authoritative French milliner and is intended for a September bride, whose blonde tresses will be well set off by the dark brim. The bonnet is made of black satin and the full feathers mounted at either side are held in place under rosettes of copper colored metallic braids.

To Clean Porch Chairs.

Do not use hot water or a strong alkali soap for cleaning wicker or willow chairs. Dust the chair and then scrub it lightly with tepid water containing a few drops of kerosene to remove hand marks and grease. Naphtha soap will not destroy the varnish. Wipe the suds off and then dry the chair in the sun.

A solution of oxalic acid and water can be used on unvarnished reed or willow furniture and bleaching properties of the acid will make the article like new. If the cane seat droops, wash it with hot water and turn it upside down to dry in the sun. It will resume its former shape.

WHO IS TO BLAME?

Some Kentucky School Superintendents Make but \$1 a Day.

EVEN PAY OWN POSTAGE.

But With These Pitiful Salaries They Must Put Up Bonds as High as \$30,000—Average Territory is a Hundred Square Miles.

Does the blame for school conditions lie at the door of the county superintendents or the people at large?

Many county superintendents receive salaries of \$400 a year, and none of them receives more than \$1,500. When a man has a salary of \$400 he is of necessity forced to do something else or starve to death.

No stream can rise higher than its source. No underpaid man can put energy and thought into his work. In one of the fertile and prosperous counties of Kentucky not many miles from Cincinnati, O. I had an interview with a county superintendent whom I knew to be a "live wire" educationally. My first question was:

"How responsible does the public consider your position?"

"Do you mean as measured by my salary or by the bond I am asked to give?"

"Your bond."

"Well, I have to give a bond of \$30,000. You see, I have \$24,000 to pass through my hands annually to finance the forty-six schools that are scattered over the county. Besides, the school-houses with their equipment are an investment of about \$55,000."

"You say scattered over the county. How much territory does it cover?"

"This is rather a small county, but my schools that I am forced to visit cover a territory of a hundred square miles, and they are on many kinds of roads. It is quite a proposition to supervise the work of sixty-five teachers in forty-six schools, to say nothing of the office work and the inspection that is necessary for repair and new buildings."

I was silent for a moment, thinking of the probable salary that would be paid a manager to take charge of a business with \$55,000 in the plant, spending \$24,000 a year running expenses and covering a territory of a hundred square miles. I smiled and asked quietly:

"What salary does this county allow you for your work as county superintendent?"

"FIVE HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS."

"Do the county and state allow you an adequate expense account?"

He pulled a pocket notebook from his desk and smiled rather bitterly as he said:

"They do not even pay for the stamps or stationery in my office work. Let me run over this for a moment and show you how it goes. I must keep a horse and buggy or I cannot get about. As this county has never taken over the turnpikes I must pay my own toll. If I am far from home in winter time I must stay all night at some hotel. All this makes my expenses for the past year \$230, leaving me at the end of the year \$280. That's LESS THAN A DOLLAR A DAY FOR ABSOLUTE WORKING TIME."

"What is the highest salary paid county superintendents in the state?"

"Fifteen hundred, and they are few and far between. There are lots of them on the \$400 and \$600 basis, and it simply means that the fellow has to do life insurance, farm a little, take a place in a store, make a living in some way and then use what time he can spare for the schools."

IT SIMPLY MEANS THAT OUR RURAL SCHOOLS ARE NOT MANAGED AT ALL. THEY ARE MORE COMMONLY MISMANAGED.

Education for the mass of the people is an investment and a business proposition. With a carefully educated population a state or a community can move forward in a desert, anywhere you place them. With an illiterate population the finest country on the globe cannot force them to make good. Brains, trained brains, is the insistent call of the twentieth century. Does Kentucky hear that call? Business and prosperity follow brains; lawlessness and poverty follow illiteracy. Kentucky will be out of step with the onward sweep of the hurrying twentieth century so long as she allows thirteen children out of every hundred to grow into manhood and womanhood robbed of the divine right of being able at least to read and to write.

In order that Kentucky may occupy a place in the forefront in the matter of education, a movement has been inaugurated for the improvement of country schools.

Indifference due to a failure to appreciate the real value of education is one of the very serious obstacles which have confronted every movement toward a higher standard of educational work. In the last few years greater interest has been exhibited generally over the state, indicating in a decided manner that our people were shaking off the lethargy of the past and were aspiring to place the state on a sound, progressive educational basis.

Every citizen must rejoice over this awakening, and all should now unite in a continuous, earnest effort to atone for neglect of the past. It would be a useless task, in view of this growing appreciation of the importance and value of education, to make any argument or submit any extended report in its behalf.



Christmas Suggestions

This house has earned the distinction of being the "House of Gifts" by the extreme care and thought put into the selection of articles for our stock suitable for use as gifts. As a relief from the perplexity of those whose find themselves at sea as to just what would be acceptable and appropriate for each member of the family, we are printing in this advertisement a few suggestions for each one. Our store offers to those who shop in person, hundreds of other suggestions. A NUMBER OF ARTICLES IN THE HOUSE WILL BE SOLD FOR COST AND LESS TO CLOSE OUT.

Only FOUR Days to Christmas—Make Your Selections Now

For Baby—	For Girl—	For Boy—	For Lady—	For Gentleman—
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TEA BELL	DOLL TRUNKS	GAMES	STATIONERY	PIPES
HORNS	DOLL GO CART	MAGIC LANTERN	PHOTO ALBUMS	BOX CIGARS
SHOE FLY	DOLL BEDS	CANNONS	CHOCOLATE SETS	WALKING STICKS
STUFFED ANIMALS	DOLL FURNITURE	BANKS	WATER SETS	CUPS AND SAUCERS
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It has always been the policy of this store to show the finest merchandise to be obtained both from an artistic point of view, as well as for intrinsic value. Great care and pains have been exercised to secure a great variety of useful and acceptable gifts which should have these characteristics of style and genuine quality and yet should be so reasonable in price to amount to positive bargains. That we have succeeded in our endeavor is evidenced by the fact we have become the leading Gift Establishment in the city.

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WANTED—a good man with family to milk in dairy. A good job for the right man.—A. H. LEET, proprietor of Woodlawn Dairy.

Get right on the shingle question—use our famous California Redwood shingles—the best yet.—Reynold, Moss Lumber Co.

All advertisements intended for the Courier MUST be in not later than noon, Wednesday. Our patrons will please govern themselves accordingly

What a difference. That's what your wife will say when you put on a "Schwab" Suit or Overcoat.—Liebo-vitz.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY



Suggestions For Ladies Who Are Puzzled

Over What to Give HIM So He Will

Be Sure to Appreciate It.

A man wants some kind of a practical gift—THAT'S WHAT CATCHES HIM. So when you start making up your lists be sure that YOUR GIFT will be one of usefulness as well as of artistic beauty. We offer a list of valuable suggestions that are sure to prove acceptable. Things that every man needs and appreciates. Our prices, too, are equally as attractive in their extreme lowness.

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WALKING CANES
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The Kentucky Club will have another big dance on Friday night, January 5th.

It is said that Gov. Willson will run for Congress.

REPORT of the condition of **Hickman Bank & Trust Co.**

doing business at town of Hickman, County of Fulton, State of Kentucky, at the close of business on the 5th day of December, 1911.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$184,500.00
U. S. and other Bonds, Stocks and Securities	100.00
Due from banks	57,912.68
Actual cash on hand	24,944.75
Checks, cash items and exchange for clearing	700.01
Overdrafts (secured)	0.00
Overdrafts (unsecured)	8224.07
Current expenses and taxes paid	2,655.27
Real Estate	1,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	800.00
Other assets not included under any of the above heads	0.00
	\$284,500.74

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in, in cash	\$50,000.00
Surplus	82,500.00
Undivided profits	6,042.70
Deposits on which interest is paid	31,821.96
Deposits on which interest is not paid	158,226.00
Cashier's Checks outstanding	0.00
Certified Checks	0.00
Due to banks	0.00
Notes and bills rediscounted	0.00
Bills payable	0.00
Other liabilities not included under any of the above heads	0.00
	\$284,500.74

State of Kentucky, / set
County of Fulton.

I, W. G. Reed, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: W. G. REED, Cashier
CHAR. (S. SCHLENKER)
W. H. HALTER
S. L. DODD
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by W. G. Reed, this 16th day of December, 1911. My commission expires Jan. 12, 1914.

W. C. JOHNSON,
(SEAL) Notary Public

W. N. Estes, employed in the Hickman postoffice for several months, will leave the first of the year for Nashville to accept the assistant secretaryship of the Y. M. C. A. The young man has made many friends while here, and we regret to see him leave.

Give practical gifts to your friends for Xmas. We suggest nice Shoes, Hose, Neckwear, Suspenders and House Slippers. We have them all.

—The Shoe Store, E. C. Rice.

Chas. Clark for some time employed at Smith & Amberg's, will go in the general merchandise business at Woodland Mills, first of the year.

Courier's Home Circle

The Christmas Topic.

Nineteen hundred and eleven years ago at Bethlehem in Judea was born an infant of humble parentage. With that child was born into the world a new civilization, a new Christianity, a new hope. It matters little to our rejoicing whether this child was human or divine—whether he was God or God's messenger of love. Christian and infidel alike agree that the life he led was pure and blameless and the principles he taught have blessed and sanctified the world. All over the country, all over the world—a few days hence it will be also all through the air—sounds the greeting Merry Christmas! On the sea and land, to the palace and in the hovel, in the hospitals and in the prisons, in the asylums amid the orphans and in the homes for the friendless and for the aged, wherever two persons meet who know and love the story of Christmas, the greeting is exchanged. Where can there be a parallel to the universal greeting? Is there any other sentiment that has the sovereignty of this cheerful and heartfelt world? It travels through the mails like nothing so much as the dove to the altars of which the scripture speaks, for surely the sentiment flits from altar to altar of the hearts of men and is as gentle as the dove. Grudges and animosity vanish before the wakening of Christmas greeting, the smile of hope illumines the countenances of those under the pall of depression, the dimpled cheeks of the babies seem like veritable nooks for fairy hiding as the lips coo in response to the Merry Christmas, with the little emblem of the day that comes to the infant from its loving parent. In the days of romance hostile forces passed upon the field, sheathed their swords and clasped hands across the battle line, greeting one another with the sentiment of universal good will.

Christmas stands for love and for charity, for hope and for joy at the fruition of that long-made promise of the prophet of the coming of one who should bring peace and good will to earth; so the churches hold their services and the people congregate to join in singing or listen to the ren-



Christmas Furniture

Nothing adds more to the comforts of home than good furniture, and that's the kind we sell. Our methods of doing business have been tested and approved by economical buyers.

We Want Your Business

and want you to visit our large Furniture Establishment and inspect our goods. Our prices will meet with your approval as well as the goods.

St. Louis Furnishing Co.

INCORPORATED

BOTH PHONES 84

Prompt Service in our

Undertaking Department

BUY EARLY!

—GO TO—

Cowgill's Drug Store

for your Winter Medicines early. Many a cold and serious sickness has been saved by having just the needed remedy on your medicine shelf at the beginning of winter. No need for Coughs, Colds, Influenza, Grippe and many other minor ills if you have us supply your medicine shelf.

"Hoyer's Candy"

For sale at

Cowgill's Drug Store

There will be some change in business circles here the first of year.



J. O. WEST

Livery, Feed and Sale Stable.
Best in the city.

Special attention to traveling Public.

Good, honest and careful drivers.

Telephone No. 52.

**Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year**

to all my friends and customers who have helped me to make this store a success. I certainly appreciate your kindness and it will always be my pleasure to serve you right and give you a square deal.

For your Xmas needs come to me. I am sure that I can please you with desirable and lasting gifts which you wish to give to those whom you love the best.

Yours very gratefully,

S. M. NAIFEH

The Dry Goods Man

On the Corner.

dition of carols, some of which have come down from the earthly ages of the church. The children have their Christmas treats, and they are the very merriest of the merry in their participation in these annual school festivals.

There is one way to make a white Christmas even though there may be not a flake of snow in sight. Let the whiteness be in your hearts. Put aside all thoughts of guile. Forget all the big or little bitterness you may be entertaining against some other person. Cast out all envy, all covetousness, all unkindness. Endeavor to harbor in your heart only such thoughts and feeling as the Nazarine knew when he dwelt in Galilee. Practice christian charity. Look beyond and above your workaday horizon. Get out of yourself. Get into the hearts of others.

Brotherly love was the one original conception of the man whose birthday we celebrate at the winter solstice. He discovered no new land of nature; he formulated no new principle of philosophy. He added nothing to science, nor did he reveal the least mystery of the unseen world. When in the bitterness of his cruel death he reproached the Almighty with deserting him, science, philosophy and theology stood exactly where they were on that starry midnight thirty-three years before when heaven opened before the eyes of the wondering shepherds and shining angels proclaimed his birth. But one thing was not the same, and that thing was enough to make all difference between the ancient world and the modern. No Confucius with all his golden rule had ever dreamed of it. No stoic ponderings on the secret of the highest good had conceived it. Of all the crucified saviors of the world not one had revealed it. The shepherd of Galilee alone of all the human race perceived that men are brothers. In the solitudes of the Syrian desert with struggles which the imagination can only typify has fought soul against soul with the living principle of incarnate evil, he wrestled the truth from the secret archives of the Almighty. Despised and rejected by the men he loved, hungry and unfed and unvisited, he taught the truth by word and deed. Nailed to the cross he proved it by his death.

At this season of the year, the

Christian world reverently turns to the little town of Bethlehem and joyfully recalls the story of the Savior's birth as set forth in the simple yet beautiful language of the gospel narrative. In spirit let us go over to Bethlehem and view the place where

Bethlehem is situated about 6 miles south of Jerusalem. Starting from Jerusalem by the Jaffa gate, the journey is over a rough and hilly country roads amid scenes that awaken in the mind reverent memories and fill the soul with loving emotions. On the west is the Gilion valley, where Solomon was crowned and on the southeast is the valley of Ithomom, where nearby, in the time of Pephah, King David defeated the Philistines.

But a short distance from King David's well Bethlehem greets the eye. There on a hill with its closely clustered houses of white stone, its massive walls and towers looming forth in the brightness of the morning sun.

WORK WILL SOON START
after you take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and you'll quickly enjoy their fine results. Constipation and indigestion vanish and fine appetite returns. They regulate stomach, liver and bowels and impart new strength and energy to the whole system. Try them. Only 25c at Helm & Ellison.

LYRIC THEATRE

Books Some Good Shows.

More Good Ones to Follow.

Dec. 29. "The Belcher Wright Co."
Dec. 29. "Peck's Bad Boy."
Week of Jan. 1. "The Agnes Arch-er Co."

Jan. 13. "Thelma."
Jan. 13-17. "Yankee Doodle Stock Co."

Feb. 6. "Weary Willie Walker."
Feb. 29. "Human Hearts."
March 19. "The Girl & the Tramp."
March 20. "The Thief."

Get your Furniture at Hickman Furniture Co.

Deep-seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of BALLARD'S HORSE-HOUND SYRUP you can get the two remedies you need for the price of one. There is a HERRICK'S RED PEPPER POROUS PLASTER for the chest, free with each bottle. Cold by Hickman Drug Co.

CHRISTMAS IS A PROPHECY

It Forecasts the Perfect Social Conditions Which Will Fulfill the Promises of Christ.

Christmas is not only a fact commemorating the one sacred festival in the world's calendar, but the glorious prophecy of a coming day, surpassing all the brightest social dreams that have ever visited the most advanced human mind. He sprang, on His human nature side, from kings and peasants, from saints and sinners. He is yet to lift every peasant to the kingliest throne of character and transform the chief of sinners into the holiest of saints. He called Himself with poverty and the common people. He is yet to banish poverty with all its ills, from the world, and to give to common humanity their rightful sovereignty. He worked with His hands for His daily bread. He is yet to dignify and glorify in the thought of mankind all honest toil. He honored woman with His sympathetic and appreciative regard. He is yet to relieve her from every form of servitude created by the past ages. He took little children in His arms and blessed them. He is yet to make blessed the child life in every welcoming home. He gave His peace to His distracted disciples. He is yet to make wars cease unto the end of the earth. He united His brethren with Himself and His Father in one unbroken oneness. He is yet to make every man a brother to his fellow-man and at one with His Father in heaven.



The Gift Maker's BEST OPPORTUNITY!

Our new and beautiful line of Holiday Goods, full of choicest selections for the Christmas trade is now ready for your inspection, and you are invited to call and see the new goods, embracing

USEFUL BEAUTIFUL APPROPRIATE Presents...

We have new novelties in nice but inexpensive goods. We have nicer and more costly gifts. But in ALL grades and at ALL prices we can supply you with THE NICEST and MOST APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR LITTLE or BIG, OLD or YOUNG. Do not fail to see our special attractions in

Watches Diamonds Jewelry Silver Goods

Cut Glass, Clocks, Novelties, Etc.

[Our silverware includes the famous 1847 Rodgers Bros.]

Our stock is generous in variety and includes only goods of approved worth backed by the standing and reputation of one of the oldest jewelry houses in Fulton county. Select your gifts from our big stock and you will get the Best and Most Appropriate Presents obtainable at Prices that will delight you!

All goods purchased at this store will be engraved FREE

C. G. Schlenker's

CHRISTMAS HEADQUARTERS

Bearded "Ladies."

M. Bran^o a "Dan" professor, comes to the conclusion that bearded ladies in time to come will be the order of the day. Ladies with beards who are now to be seen may be regarded as the precursors of the future race, and the professor comes to the conclusion that the more masculine woman he^o is in her "beard" the more will she be in appearance. He does not think that bearded ladies will become general until at least two centuries have elapsed. His investigations show that the number of women with traces of mustaches, although clearly visible, increased but slowly. The Paris contenorary from which we take the foregoing suggests that the professor has missed the great point which he might have made and that is that as the number of men who shave increases daily it would follow that women would endeavor to grow beards from sheer "curiosity."

STORE AT BONDURANT

C. M. Yates, the well known shingle manufacturer, of this city, has established a general store at Bondurant, Ky., a station on the new rail road in the lower end of the country. This is Bondurant's first business house.

DEATH OF SUSAN OLIVER.

The Tobacco Trust, as now constituted, ordered all buyers withdrawn from Kentucky markets on December 20. Buying will be distributed among the subsidiary companies by Jan 1. This need not cause the local "chawer" any uneasiness.

Lawyer Darrow was paid \$170,000 out of the McNamara defense fund of nearly \$200,000, raised by assessments on labor. No wonder Lawyer Darrow is a friend of "persecuted" labor—he can well afford to sell his sympathies at such a figure.

Get the best at Hickman Furniture Co.

The Joys of Christmas Time



Hark! the merry chimes are warning us that this is Christmas morning,

And it's time that we were rising, though the hour isn't late.

Still, the kids will be flocking, each to overhaul his stocking,

And there's scads of things we've got to do that really cannot wait.

Yet, before we kick the clothes off (quite determined not to doze off), Let's indulge in dreamy musing on this joyous Christmastide; Let us, while the bells are pealing, get up some real Christmas feeling. Fill ourselves with sweet emotions that are not quite cut and dried.

True, the minutes fast are gliding, but, consarn 'em, let 'em glide.

Think of these long weeks of waiting, all the glad anticipating Of the gay and festive season that at last is here; Never resting, never stopping in our mad career of shopping. Searching over the ideal, not too cheap and not too dear; Crushed and elbowed in the reeking crowds, that like ourselves are seeking Just the very thing of all things that their loved ones most desired. Jamp and dragged than emerging from the pushing, struggling, surging Mob, with parcels overladen, reaching home at last, dog tired. Those experiences may be best described as "most all-fired."

Yet no antiquated stoic showed endurance more heroic

Than we've manifested through the weary ordeal of that time;

We've stood the stress of harder with the courage of a martyr;

Now we find sweet compensation listening to the Christmas chime,

Whose clear cadence, soft and mellow, seems to whisper to a fellow

That the worst is nearly over, that we soon may breathe again,

Soon may find surcease of sorrow, and that, maybe by tomorrow

Or the next day, may be lifted something of this mortal strain,

That a blessed sense of rest may soothe the tissues of our brain.

We have done with haste and flurry, no occasion now to worry, Lost some sensitive relation may have been quite overlooked.

All the lists of names are checked and all the walls with green are decked, and

Now within a few short hours the Christmas dinner will be cooked.

Hall to Christmas! happy season! There is some substantial reason

To be gleeful at thy advent—the beginning of the end.

As thou comest wreathed with holly, we can certainly be jolly,

Welcome thee with feast and wassail, and in general unhend,

For we know that we have spent for thee the last cent we can spend!

Now the door bell will cease ringing to the people who were bringing An endless string of packages from morn to dewy eve;

We no longer will be running to conceal those things with cunning,

And we'll lose our wonted air of having something up our sleeve.

There will be a deuced litter, when

the gewgaws gleam and glitter,

Of waste paper, string and cotton, from the kitchen to the hall;

But, with conscientious elastic, we will grow enthusiastic

And "wonder how they guessed" as on the donors' necks we fall,

Looking blissful over dewdada that we didn't want at all.

Ah, this blessed thing of giving! It is half the joy of living

To watch the looks of gratitude and pleasure and surprise

That, at least to outward seeming, are upon loved faces beaming—

As the loved one opens his parcel and digs out his gaudy tie.

And the gentle wife and mother her emotion tries to smother

When conducted by her husband, to some secret corner, where,

As a proof of fond affection, he has hid from her detection,

His gift to her, a cozy, cooing, well-upholstered chair

(Of whose comforts, in the future, you may bet he'll get his share).

Now this Christmas spirit moves us to sense that it behoves us

To keep Poverty's bare platter and fill Destitution's cup.

Bring turk and pie and gladness to the homes of empty sadness!

To help out sweet Christmas charity who would not loosen up?

But it's highly aggravating not to say exasperating,

When we've given most nobly and without thought of stint,

To find out, as we expected, that the modest are neglected

And our princely benefaction hasn't found its way to print.

(Certainly we didn't ask it, but a man might take a hint).

But away with sad reflection! This is no time for dejection.

Merry Christmas, happy Christmas, as we said, has come at last!

All the many tribulations, all the trials and vexations

That have crowded thick upon us for the last six weeks, are past,

Not a protest shall be uttered, though the house with toys is cluttered

And the kids are all parading to the sound of horn and drum,

Lusty lung and larynx voicing the extent of their rejoicing.

We will have to stand the racket now that Christmas day is come.

(Later tone our nervous system at some sanitarium).

Thank the Giver if we're able to sit 'round a well-spread table,

Where the plump white-hoosomed turkey sheds its savor through the room,

And pudding comes on smoking, and there's no end to the joking,

And no heart harbors malice and no mind o'ercast with gloom,

Let us be profoundly grateful that we have at least a plateful,

Grateful for the pepsi tablets that correct our Christmas cheer;

Hold it as among our mercies if there's coin left in our purses,

Be thankful for those dear to us and those who hold us dear,

(And most supremely thankful Christmas comes but once a year).

son who was enroute to Arkansas. Her husband had been dead about nine years.

WINS FIGHT FOR LIFE.

It was a long and bloody battle for life that was wage by Jannie B. Merchant, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from hemorrhages, and was very weak and rundown. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close on my heels, when I began, three weeks ago to use Dr. King's New Discovery. But it has helped me greatly. It is doing all that you claim." For weak, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colds, hoarseness, a gripe asthma hay-fever or any throat or lung trouble it is supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Helm & Ellison.

Don't fail to read the bank statements in this issue.

SPECIAL

Owing to the low prices the farmers are getting for their cotton, I have decided to divide my profits with them by making the following prices:

Two cars best medium salt, per barrel	\$1.35
One car best straight flour, per barrel	4.50
Best High Patent Flour, guaranteed, per barrel	4.85
Coal Oil, a very fine grade, per gallon	10c

Also a 10 per cent. reduction on all Dry Goods and Groceries.

COME QUICK

Mose Barkett

WEST HICKMAN

PROJECT ENDORSED.

After investigating the affairs and

looking into matters pertaining to

the Kentucky Southwestern Electric

Light and Power company,

a committee appointed by the Paducah

Retail Merchants' association

Thursday morning prepared a report

in which they endorsed the company

and asked that the business interests

of the city subscribe liberally of the

stock which the company is selling

in order to complete a survey of the

proposed interurban line, which will

pass through that city.

Members of the Merchants' association

are firm in their belief that the

interurban will be established if

Major Calhoun, in charge of the

engineering department of the company,

makes a favorable report.

The committee called a meeting of the

officers of the company Thursday

morning and were satisfied of the

firm's responsibility. The report

recommended the stock of the company

for investigation.

Hair Falling?

You certainly cannot lose your hair and keep it, too.

Which shall it be? Lose?

Then do nothing. Keep?

Then use Ayer's Hair Vigor.

That is about all there is to it.

Ayer's Hair Vigor is also a

splendid hair-dressing and

hair-tonic. It keeps the hair

soft and smooth and greatly

promotes its growth. It does

not color the hair. Consult

your doctor freely. Doctors

are studying these hair

questions much more than

in former days.

Made by the J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Shoe Wearers Profit by Scientific Management

YOUR shoes can be the source of *more satisfaction* and *more economy* than any other article of wear if you buy wisely.

Shoe satisfaction depends largely on a good fit and *good leather that will wear well.*

"Endwell" shoes are much superior to the average of shoes in that respect. They are made by Endicott, Johnson & Co.—the only shoe house in the world that tans leather and makes shoes complete, beginning with the raw hide—all under one management.

This insures both quality and economy of production that cannot be duplicated by any other concern not possessing these advantages.

It means a real saving to buy "Endwells." Try them.



Prices
\$3.00
\$3.50
\$4.00

ENDWELL SHOE
No. 807—Genuine glazed kangaroo blucher. "Mascot" last. Medium weight oak sole. A very dressy, plain, conservative style. Just one of 100 new styles.

SULLIVAN BROTHERS

SHINGLES AT MILL PRICES

SAVE THE MIDDLEMAN'S PROFIT
by buying direct from the Mill. I manufacture the best shingles in the State. All are almost half an inch thick, and guaranteed.

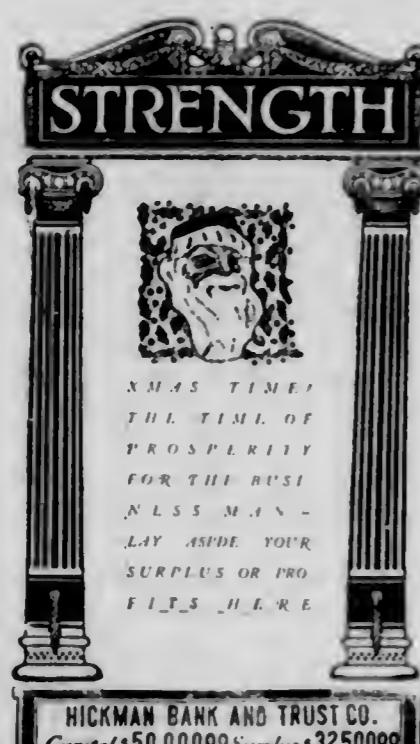
Best Heart Shingles, per 1,000 \$3.00
Best Prime " " 2.65
Economy " " 2.00

Kept in stock at my place in West Hickman, or may be had at Mill at Tyler, Ky.

Don't Place Your Order Until You See Me

C. H. SMITH
HICKMAN, KENTUCKY

Jan. 1



MR. BUSINESS MAN: The Courier will handle the finest line of 1913 calendars that ever came to Hickman. Don't place an order with anybody until you see this line.

Come and see us before buying you Xmas suit. We have the goods and sell 'em cheap.—Sullivan Bros.

Meeting nights of Fulton Lodge, No. 88, I. O. O. F.—Thursday Sept. 14-28; Oct. 12-26; Nov. 9-23; Dec. 7-21.

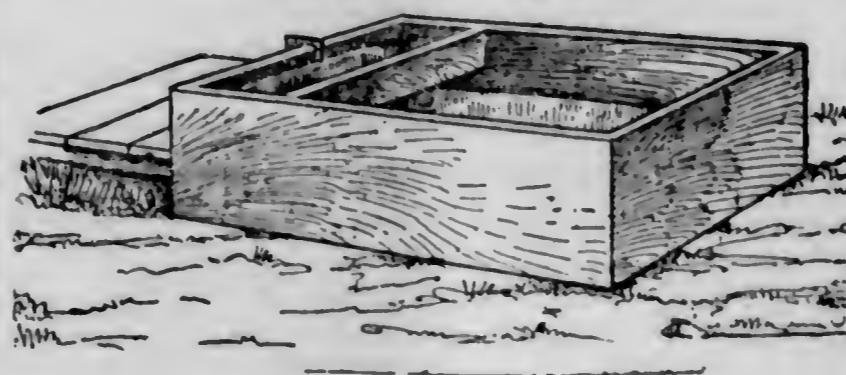
FINAL SETTLEMENT.

All parties owing the estate of Tom Dillon, Jr., by note or account, will please come forward and settle at once. Parties holding claims against said estate are also requested to present same at once.—TOM DILLON, SR., Adm'r.

Schwab Suits are doubly guaranteed to be all wool and to wear to your satisfaction. See them at Liebovitz.

COMBINATION TANK AND TROUGH FOR SHEEP, HORSES AND CATTLE

Illustration Shows Convenient Addition Which Will Eliminate One Great Difficulty and Will be Found of Much Value Where Water Is Pumped by Hand, Engine or Wind Mill.



Drinking Trough for Sheep in Water Tank.

Frequently a simple method of watering stock will mean much on many farms, especially where horses, cattle and sheep drink from the same trough. Large tanks do not permit sheep to drink unless the tank is full, wherefrom, if cattle and horses lower the water in the tank so it is only a quarter of half full, the sheep will be unable to reach it. The illustration shows a convenient addition, says the Orange Judd Farmer. This will be found of great value where either water is pumped by hand, by gasoline engine or wind power.

A small trough is set in the end into which the water is pumped, and as it overflows it runs into the larger tank. A raised platform at this end will make it possible for sheep to reach into the tank. Where hand power is required and the tank is nearly empty, without this conven-

BEST WAY TO TOP DRESS GRAIN

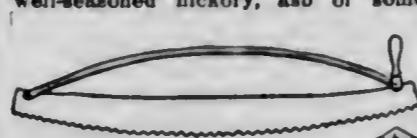
Should be Done During the Fall Months to Afford Proper Protection for Roots of Crop.

If grain is to be top dressed, the work should be done in the fall, as it is very necessary to have the grain deep-rooted with sufficient top to protect the roots. Haul and spread direct from wagon or cart when the ground is dry enough to haul over. The manure should be fine and well rotted. Clean, mellow ground should be seeded to grass at the time of drilling and sown to clover in the spring. The early seeded grain nearly always gives the best yield. Rather thin land drilled to grain should be top dressed with long straw manure. If manure cannot be had spread straw or leaf mold from the woods. A thin covering will protect the grain and grass, and when rotted will help to keep the soil moist and cool during the hot weather. Straw is worth fully \$1.50 to \$2.00 per ton to spread over the grain. All straw not wanted for feeding and bedding should be used for top-dressing grain and grass. Where the land is not too rolling and the snows are not too heavy, there is no better way to use the winter manure than to haul it out, and when the weather is suitable and the ground is in condition to haul over and spread it on either the grain or grass fields. Much of the value of manure is wasted when it is piled in the yard, exposed to heavy rains and snows. There is little loss when spread over sod land.

CROSSCUT SAW IS VERY HANDY

Where Logs of Medium Size Are to be Cut Implement Shown Will be Found Convenient.

Crosscut Saw for One.
It is often convenient to have a crosscut saw that one man can use for cutting medium sized logs, says the Orange Judd Farmer. The one shown herewith fills the bill very well. It consists of a blade, a handle, set as shown, and a bow re-enforced with wire around it at various points. Preferably this bow should be of well-seasoned hickory, ash or some



other tough, but not too heavy, wood. It is not necessary to have very much spring in the bow, although some spring adds rigidity and tension to the saw, which can thus be run more easily. The most important points for the winding are toward the ends, where the pole is split by sawing to admit blade. The pole should be only a few inches longer than the saw when laid out straight.

White Corn Is Best.

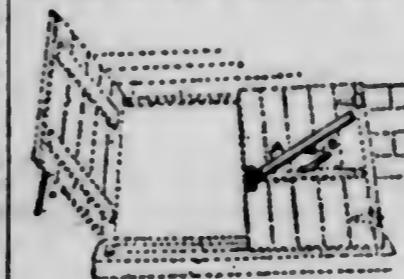
Experiments carried on at the Missouri experiment station during the past four years show that Boone county white corn is the best variety for general use in that state. The next in order below this are Commercial White, St. Charles White and Reeds Yellow Dent. These varieties are doubtless well adapted to other southwestern states.

SUPPORT FOR CELLAR DOOR

Excellent Device is Shown in Illustration for Use When Passage-Way is Wanted Open.

Support for Cellar Door.
The illustration shows a self-opening and self-closing support for a cellar door. One half of the door is shown opened and resting on the support A. The other half shows the support fastened in place. It is very simple to make and attach.

Use a strip of wood for the support, seven-eighths by two inches, with the required length to allow the door to



Support for Door.

rest at the height wanted when open. Fasten two blocks with screws, one on each door as shown, and attach a support to each block with a tee hinge. The folding bracket B is easily made of a piece of hoop iron. The support will lie flat on the door when it is closed, according to the Popular Mechanics, but will open up to the right position for a support as soon as the door is opened.

NEED OF LIME ON SOME SOILS

There Is but One Sure Way of Making Known the Fault and That Is by Practical Trial.

There is only one sure way of determining whether a soil needs lime and that is by trial. An application of lime over a whole field would be a waste of both time and money if the field were not in need of such an application. It is suggested that the farmer who has not already proved for himself whether his soils need lime would better conduct a few simple experiments at different points on his farm.

A few barrels of lime or a few tons of limestone would not cost a great deal and the labor of treating a strip with lime or ground limestone here and there across different fields in which crops were to be grown or so treat a small area here and there, at different points in the fields in which crops are to be grown, would involve but a small amount of labor. These areas should be very carefully located and marked and the results of the applications should be carefully studied on the succeeding crops. It is possible that the effects, good and bad, may be easily apparent. It is possible that the effects can be discovered only by carefully cutting and weighing the crops from portions of the treated areas and comparing them with the crops produced upon equal adjacent areas.

Lime should not be applied to manure piles nor to the litter in the barn. Lime should not be applied to land being prepared for potatoes.—Circular 11, Michigan Experiment Station.

Caterpillar's Big Appetite.
In a single month, a single caterpillar devours six thousand times its own weight in food.

The Courier can save you money on your newspapers and magazines. Here are a few of the old regulars: The Hickman Courier and the Weekly Commercial Appeal, both one year, \$1.25.

The Hickman Courier and Twice-a-week St. Louis Republic, both one year, \$1.50.

The Hickman Courier and St. Louis Weekly Globe-Democrat, both one year, \$1.50.

The Hickman Courier and Weekly Courier Journal, both one year, \$1.50.

This is only a partial list of the papers with which we club. We have just issued a 20 page catalogue giving the rates on over a 1,000 other periodicals. If you have not received one of these catalogues, call at the office or a postal card with your name and address will bring you one.

Ask for the Courier's 1911-12 magazine and newspaper club catalogue. It's free.

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THIS is the time when the pinch of poverty is felt as at no other time of the year. You should not envy those with money in the bank, for you can have a bank account yourself if you will only save. There is a time coming in every life as this season comes every year when you will have joy in your life if you have saved, and sorrow if you have not.

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Will Appreciate Your Business.



For the Composing Room

in a printing house electric light is the best, and for factories or shops turning out typewriters, clocks, watches, parts for bigger machines, it will aid in getting better and more work. Whatever your lighting or other electrical necessities further your own financial interests by consulting us. Our diagnosis and prescribing will help you a whole lot.

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Our big mill is making 30,000 shingles a day. We have a million extra fine ones on hand. You will not be disappointed when you come to our mill for shingles. We have plenty of all grades.—C. M. Yates Shingle Co.

"Bread in Old Kentucky" high patent Margaret flour. Better than others but costs no more.—Bettsworth & Prather.

Sullivan Bros. is the place to buy on each and every purchase made. Come and see for yourself.

The Spirit of Christmas.

There is hardly a festival in the calendar which has such a hold on the hearts of old and young alike as Christmas Day. The ring of the car bells and the voices upon the streets seem to take on a more cheery tone, and the spirit of the time seems to throw a glamour over places and things which ordinarily are devoid of all beauty. As it is with places, so it is with people. They, too, not only seem to change, but the transformation does take place in millions of hearts to a greater or less degree. The spirit of Christmas even affects people who for the rest of the year are devoid of sentiment and of feeling for their fellow men. The most interesting stories of Christmastide are those which will never appear in print—true stories of men and women whose thoughts have been only of their own selfish aims and pleasures, but have been awake, and if only for a day or two, from their usual self-complacency, moved to some force of which they are only half conscious to do some act of kindness to make the day happier for someone less fortunate than themselves in a worldly way.—The Christian Herald.

The Christmas Spirit.

But don't you see that there is a Santa Claus? He isn't a man in a fur coat and a reindeer sleigh and all that, but he is the Spirit of Christmas, isn't he? They've personified that and made a saint of him and invented legends about him—for the children, when we're no longer children and don't believe in him, we still have the Christmas spirit—and it's that gives presents and makes us feel toward one another, and makes Christmas what it is.—Harvey J. O'Higgins.

CARD OF THANKS.

We enjoyed the largest trade our business history during present year, and feeling deeply grateful to our friends for making possible this year's success, we take pleasure in thanking each of you your patronage. We trust that we will have a joyous Christmas and a year of 1912 will bring you a blessing that heart could Bradley & Farnham.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in capsules. The pain disappears immediately. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

R. A. Tyler returned Monday from his trip to Jackson, Tenn., as there arranging for a sale of the fine horses on Oakwood Farm.

man Hackett orders the Court to his sisters, Mrs. Ira Jones, Mrs. Ohio, and Mrs. Sam Taylor, Ga., as Christmas pres-

DRUG-STORE XMAS GIFTS



YOUR worry about what to give for a Christmas gift will disappear like melted snow when you come to select it at this store

SOMETHING here for everybody—from the pretty laughing baby to the smiling, dear old grandma—something to suit all ages and all tastes—to suit HIM or HER. Let us aid you in your selection. It will give us the greatest pleasure and our experience will help you. Come in today and get first choice of the best stock of Christmas gifts in town.

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REAL ESTATE Deeds Recorded with County Clerk During Past Week.

Phone 38 for groceries.

Atty. T. N. Smith was here from Fulton, Monday, on legal business.

Gov. and Mrs. Wilson were presented Monday at the Statehouse with a beautiful \$700 solid silver service by the state officers and clerks and appointees of the Governor.

Certain fellows who are indulging in a crap game in a certain barn, not over 100 miles from Cayce, had better be a little leary. Limbo to have your Christmas holiday spoiled.

Whatever else we may neglect, let us to see that no child in Hickman awakes Christmas morning to find an empty stocking.

The Studebaker corporation is the first concern of its kind to sell automobiles on a time basis, but such is the policy now adopted by them. Any farmer or responsible business man can buy an E. M. F. or Flanner 20 from the local agent by paying part down and giving his note for the balance, due in from six to twelve months.

Miss Anna Outten arrived here from Chicago Friday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. C. A. Outten.

The Rev. C. K. Marshall was found dead in his bed at the Rose Hotel Thursday morning at Metropolis, Illinois. He was formerly pastor of the Christian church at Fulton, and is known to many Hickmanites.

Get right on the shingle question—use our famous California Redwood shingles—the best yet.—Reynold, Moss Lumber Co.

HOGWALLOW DOINGS

Luke Mathews is getting his affairs in shape to reform on the first of the year.

Washington Hock shook himself out of a persimmon tree on Musket Ridge Tuesday night.

The postoffice was entered night before last by some unknown person and the postmaster's sausage grinder is missing.

Jefferson Patlocks, who has been cutting down a tree near Rye Straw for the past two weeks, completed the job a noon today.

The show at Bounding Billows the other day is reported to have been so thick that the people could not walk without stepping in it.

The Tickville Tidings announces that some of the Republicans over that way are so strong you have to hold your nose when you get around them.

Seeing a national victory for the Democrats next year the Hogwall postmaster has decided to change his politics this winter while no one is looking.

Miss Flutie Belcher is laid up with a cold, which she caught while standing in the draught of air that escaped from her accordion while she played it at a party Thursday night.

Frisby Hancock has dreamed several times here of late that he was about to drown, and as a precaution he now sleeps with his head propped up, so that he can keep it well out of water.

Cricket Hicks held the lamp Sunday night while Miss Hostetter Hocks sang a solo at the Hog Hill church. At one point her voice went so high that Cricket was compelled to stand on a chair.

Ellick Hellwenger has returned from the headquarters of Gimlet creek from which point he floated down on a raft. He brought with him a bag of turnips and an armful of the latest almanacs. We are glad to see people take so to literature.

One of our acquaintances who has been going under the name of Rodgers since he got into a serious difficulty in the Calf Riba community a few weeks ago, was buried at the Hog Ford graveyard yesterday. He left a will instructing that the seven dollars he left behind be buried with him and this was done. He left a good many bad debts and they were buried along with the goods ones.

Sim Flinders has been sitting on his front fence this week with wads of paper stuck in both ears. Sim is accused of stealing a hog liver from a man over near Thunderhead, and does not wish to hear any of the passing remarks that are made about him.

Yam Sims, who has been seeking encouragement in the pursuit of the fleck heart and hand of Miss Gondola Henstep, has found a shadow of hope, she having dropped her handkerchief from her tall mule the other day in order to allow him the privilege of picking it up.

Dock Hocks, our blacksmith and earwhite dentist is busily engaged in putting some new teeth in a crosscut saw that belongs to Isaac Hellwenger. The teeth were knocked out during a difficulty last week. To lessen the cost of the job Isaac wanted the teeth filled, but the dentist told him he would have some new ones put in.—Kentuckian.

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Pale-faced, weak, and shaky women—who suffer every day with womanly weakness—need the help of a gentle tonic, with a building action on the womanly system. If you are weak—you need Cardui, the woman's tonic, because Cardui will act directly on the cause of your trouble. Cardui has a record of more than 50 years of success. It must be good.

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doing business at town of Hickman, County of Fulton, State of Kentucky, at the close of business on the 8th day of December, 1911

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$167,585.72
U. S. and other Bonds, Stocks and Securities	18.26
Draws from banks	46,467.83
Actual cash on hand	16,008.56
Checks, cash items and exchange for clearing	3,668.20
Overdrafts (secured)	280.84
Overdrafts (unsecured)	2,650.07
Current expenses and taxes paid	2,000.07
Real Estate, Fur and Fixtures	2,000.00
Other assets not included under any of the above heads	0.00
	129,142.66

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in, in cash	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	22,000.00
Undivided profits	4,845.02
Deposits on which interest is paid	18,828.45
Deposits on which interest is not paid	130,158.89
Cashier's Checks outstanding	28.20
Certified Checks	0.00
Due to banks	0.00
Notes and bills rediscounted	0.00
Bills payable	0.00
Other liabilities not included under any of the above heads	0.00
	321,152.06

State of Kentucky, | act
County of Fulton, | act

I, J. A. Thompson, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: J. A. THOMPSON, Cashier
H. M. DILLER } Directors
T. A. LEDFORD }
Subscribed and sworn to before me by J. A. Thompson, this 16th day of Dec., 1911.
My commission expires Jan. 14, 1914.
H. T. BRAKE,
(SEAL) Notary Public.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to thank our neighbors and friends for their kindness shown us during the illness and death of our daughter, Eula. May God's richest blessings be extended to each and every one of them.—Berry Threlkeld and wife.

See Hammond & Allen for glass.

E. C. Reed, of Fulton, was here Saturday on business.

J. W. Massey, of Hallwell, was here Monday on business.

Get your money's worth at Hickman Furniture Co.

N. E. Estes, of Martin, was here Saturday to see his son, W. N. Estes.

The famous Modjeska Caramels, for the first time in the history of Hickman at Debow's.

Mrs. Allen Henry, of New Madrid, Mo., is here visiting her parents, E. E. Reeves and family.

Mrs. Murley Roper and children, of State Line, visited Mrs. J. R. Brown Sunday and Monday.

We carry a good line of all kinds of new and second-hand furniture.—Hammond & Allen Fur. Co.

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Hollis Kirk and W. J. Logan went to Craig's Landing, Mo., Saturday on the Launch Ruth.

Mrs. B. F. Gabby, Mrs. T. A. Ledford and Mrs. Harry Barrett were in Union City Friday.

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Miss Ruth Ellison returned Saturday from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Louis Kilpatrick, in Memphis.

The weather man promises us a variety of weather for Christmas week—good, bad and indifferent.

Mrs. H. E. Prather orders the Courier sent to her sister, Mrs. H. C. Ishell, at Los Angeles, Cal., for one year as a Christmas present.

FOR SALE: Seven houses and lots whole bunch for \$3500; or places will be sold separate. All of these houses are occupied and paying good rent. This section of town is coming fast, and East Hickman property will be a good investment. Inquire at Courier office.

Ill fate seems to be following Mrs. James White, wife of the man who was sentenced to the penitentiary for the murder of Fred Otterson. Her household goods were caught in a freight wreck on the Illinois Central south of Cairo a few days ago and literally demolished. White is the man caught by Sheriff Johnson of this city, in Colorado, and for which he received a \$400 reward last week.

See Hammond & Allen for glass.

John Hagan was at home all last week.

Redwood Shingles—Reynold, Moss Lumber Co.

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If you are seeking good clothing values, be sure to see Lebovitz.

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W. J. Logan, of Craig's Landing, Mo., was here a couple of days of the latter part of last week on business.

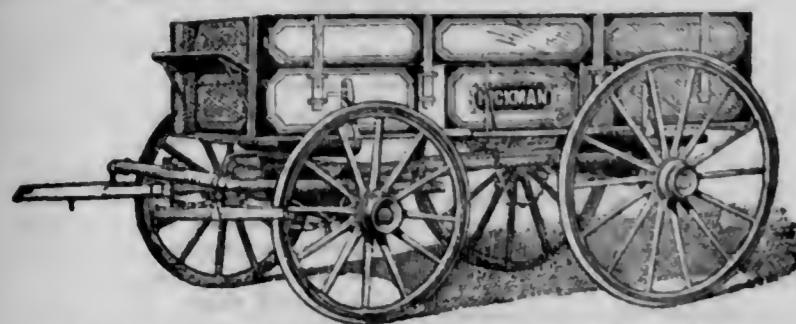
Mrs. Kate Bassett, who has been visiting her sisters, Mrs. Annie Ellison and Mrs. Victoria Walker, left Sunday for her home in Atlanta, Ga.

If you buy a "Schwab" suit it must be good. They are doubly guaranteed to be all wool and give satisfaction.—Lebovitz.

Madame Rumor has it that a certain citizen of Hickman, who left these parts and located in another state, was gambling around the borderland of matrimony, when milady addressed a short letter to some one here asking for a verification of all the good things the citizen claimed for himself in a modest way, and the curtain fell to slow music when she received an answer referring her to the man's wife in Hickman for further information. We are unable to learn the names of the parties in question.

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DRESS OF THE ESKIMO WOMEN

Their Apparel is the Same Summer
and Winter and is Worn in
the Same Way.

New York.—The dress of the Eskimo women is the same summer and winter, and is worn in the same way, writes Anna Bistrup, wife of the Danish governor of Greenland. In the Century it consists first of a shift—which, in spite of the name, is, nevertheless, not shifted very often—made of common cotton stuff, and cut in the simplest possible form, with no embroidery. Over this they wear the

The Courier's Weekly Sermon
BY PASTOR RUSSELL
SUBJECT
PARADISE BETTER
THAN HONOLULU

Paradise of the Pacific Not In It With That Promised.

The Nation Born in a Day Does Not Re-
sue to Heaven Conversion, Says Pas-
tor Russell, but to "the Church Which
is the Body of Christ"—"Whose
Names Are Written in Heaven."



Honolulu, Hawaii, December 17.—As our ship neared your beautiful island I thought back a century to the time when these islands were uncivilized. It called to my mind the text, "Who hath heard such a thing? Who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be in one day? Shall a nation be born at once?"—Isaiah LVI. 8

Then I thought of how your island has been styled the "Paradise of the Pacific." The reality surpassed my expectations. Yet as I think of the glorious conditions which the Bible tells us shall prevail throughout the whole earth under Messiah's Kingdom, I perceive that even the "Paradise of the Pacific" falls far short of the "Paradise of God."

God has declared that the earth is His footstool, and that in due time under Messiah's Empire, He will make the place of His feet glorious.

The Last Enemy Death.

It is because God has already dealt bountifully with your island and given you in advance many of those blessings promised to the whole earth that your island is styled a Paradise. Nevertheless, you all need to pray with the remainder of mankind for the coming of the Kingdom of Messiah and its blessings—"Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven."

Your cemeteries were early in evidence telling us that here, too, in this Paradise, men die. Your hospital and physicians' signs tell us that here, too, men are sick. But in the Paradise which God has promised to establish under Messiah's Kingdom, the inhabitants will not say, "I am sick." Ultimately there will be no more sighing, no more dying, and no more crying because all the former things of sin and death will have passed away and He that shall sit upon the throne will make all things new. (Rev. xxi. 4, 5.)

The Holy Nation Born.
Pastor Russell expounded his text, showing by the context that it refers to the resurrection of the Church. He declared that the begetting of the Holy Spirit in the present life constitutes God's people embryo new creatures in Christ; that this begetting and embryo development, according to the Scriptures, concludes in death, and that the resurrection moment, the attainment of glory, honor and immortality as spirit beings beyond the veil will be the birth of this new creation of God—the elect Church—"the Bride, the Lamb's wife."

Pastor Russell pointed to the declaration of the Apostle that Jesus in His resurrection became the "First-born from the dead." "The firstborn among many brethren" who attain a similar resurrection, and who are, therefore, to share in His resurrection.

Our text points us down to the thousand year day of Messiah's Kingdom—the day so long foretold—the day of earth's blessing, in which the "Sun of Righteousness" will scatter the darkness of sin and bring blessings to all mankind. It is the Psalmist who tells us that the Church will be blessed of the Lord in that glorious day.



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but in advance of the world. Thus we read, "God will help her right early in the morning." (Psalm xvi. 5.)

That privileged time in which the Church will be helped, in which she will be passed from earthly conditions to heavenly conditions, is in our text spoken of as her birthday. St. Peter tells us that the Church is the Holy Nation to which God frequently refers in the prophecies. (1 Peter ii. 9.) The Head of the Church was born from the dead more than eighteen centuries ago; the body is to come forth now, the Holy Nation complete, perfect and fully equipped by the lessons and experiences passed through in the present life.

To this Holy Nation will be given the control of the world under the supervision of her Lord and Redeemer: "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne"—"I will give him power over the nations—he shall rule them with a rod of iron. Through this nation blessing is to proceed to all the families of the earth.

Look Now at Our Text.

Verse seven pictures the Church as a mother, and pictures Messiah as a man—the Head of the Church which is His Body. This is the great Deliverer referred to by St. Paul in Romans xii. 24. He is it that, coming out of Zion, shall be the Deliverer of Israel, who shall "turn away ungodliness from Jacob." Verse 9 connects the resurrection birth of the Head with the resurrection birth of the Body. Would God bring forth the Head, Jesus, and then fail to bring forth the Church, His Body? Nay, verily! His faithful shall share in "His resurrection" as promised.—Philippians iii. 10.

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San Francisco, Cal.—Twenty-one thousand dollars' worth of towels were "lost" by the Southern Pacific railroad last year and for that reason women who ride on its trains and boats will be compelled to furnish their own towels hereafter. The towels were stolen from the washrooms on the trains and boats, as many as a hundred towels disappearing on one run. Even roller towels were taken, though the company padlocked the racks to keep them from being removed. The towel thieves simply cut the towels and slipped them off. Individual towels disappeared so fast that they were replaced with rollers after being used but a short time.

See a Cure in Poetry.
Louisville, Ky.—"Poetry has as practical value as vaccination," declared Rev. Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here in an address to a local literary club. Duly read and appreciated, he said poetry is a real cure for the diseases which attend the feverish quest for gold. This virtue, he reasons, lies in the fact that thorough enjoyment of it demands relaxation.

New Russian Oil Region.
While Baku is known as the great oil producing province of Russia, and its wells have produced immense quantities, its reputation bids fair to be overshadowed by the new region, the Sallany Steppe. Sallany is about 125 miles distant from the city of Baku, on the shore of the Caspian sea, at the mouth of the Kura, the largest river in the Caucasus. Its position is a commanding one, both for supplying the European and eastern market. The petroleum deposits in the Sallany steppes have been known for years, but only recently has attention been attracted thereto. The possibilities are very great.

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"Aeropostomia."

Some months ago a learned professor at the Sorbonne wrote to the Parisian papers proposing that the word "petomane" be used as a term to designate the aviator, the word petomane being based, he explained, on the Greek root "pet," to fly. Another learned person says that the word harks back to the earliest days of aeronautics, and quotes from Der Deutsche Merkur (the German Mercury), published by Weilmar at Weimar, in October, 1783, which speaks of "Aeropetomane," or the latest progress in flying.

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Volume 52

REELFOOT LAKE SUIT.
Question of Ownership
Now in Courts.

Another lawsuit, growing out of the recent night-riders troubles at Reelfoot Lake, was begun in the chancery court at Union City, Monday. It is expected that the case will be disposed of in a few days. Up to Tuesday morning, only one deposition had been taken, that of Monroe Golden, present circuit court clerk, formerly county surveyor. He testified concerning distances and depths and concerning the growth and condition of the lake. His report was that the lake was fourteen miles long and four miles wide, and its average depth was eight feet. His evidence is regarded as strong in supporting the rights of the state ownership.

The style of the case is the state of Tennessee against the West Tennessee Land Company and others. It involves the ownership of Reelfoot Lake. The state seeks to have all grants and private claims upon it declared void, the purpose in view being to have the lake set aside as a public hunting and fishing preserve.

The issue is whether the West Tennessee Land Company has a clear title to the property which it will be necessary to condemn or whether the lake is already the property of the state. The land company is the owner of practically all the outstanding grants.

Recent investigations which have been made by attorneys and others interested in the case have brought some interesting facts to light. It has been found that the earliest grants to the property were made to George Doherty by the state of North Carolina in 1788. These grants covered only about 4,000 acres of the land now covered by the lake, and these are the only grants outstanding which were laid upon the land before it was submerged.

All the other grants to the land were procured from the state of Tennessee in more recent years, with an evident view to acquiring ownership of the lake. In 1818 a batch of grants were obtained by W. H. Caldwell. These grants covered nearly all the lake. In 1850 Galloway & Bennett procured some grants, which are reported to have accurately and fully taken in all waters of the lake.

According to history, the lake was created by the earthquake of 1811 and 1812. After this time George Doherty seems to have treated his lands as lost and abandoned them as far as any direct control was concerned. Repeated efforts to control the hunting and fishing privileges and secure the timber rights were made under the Caldwell ownership and later under the Galloway & Bennett grants, but these efforts were varying in their success.

It remained for the late J. C. Harris of Tiptonville, whose purpose was to drain the lake and reclaim the land, to inaugurate his scheme of tying outstanding grants. He bought all the grants except those of Galloway & Bennett. Then the Harris interest was combined with those of the West Tennessee Land Company and formed. This company began the first effective control of the lake, which resulted in the night-riders trouble, the murder of Capt. Quinton Rankin and subsequent disorders.

The principal contention of the state is that the lake is a body of navigable water which, in law, is not subject to entry or private ownership in any manner. Upon this point a large volume of proof has been taken as to the depth and extent of the water and its capacity for the carriage of craft. The defendants will rely upon the insistence that there are many stumps and trees in the water and that the obstructions unfit it for navigation thereby removing it from the class of navigable streams. This

REPORT
of the condition of

The Peoples Bank

doing business at town of Hickman, County of Fulton, State of Kentucky, at the close of business on the 5th day of December, 1911.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$ 89,949.94
U. S. and other Bonds, Stocks and Securities	0.00
Due from banks	88.00
Actual cash on hand	11,286.98
Checks, cash items and exchange for clearing	175.87
Overdrafts (secured)	280.81
Overdrafts (unsecured)	2,099.07
Current expenses and taxes paid	8,765.74
Real Estate, Fur and Fletures	8,189.41
Other assets not included under any of the above heads	0.00
	\$ 81,286.94

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in, in cash	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	000.00
Undivided profits	4,428.00
Deposits on which interest is paid	1,919.61
Deposits on which interest is not paid	48,780.74
Cashier's Checks outstanding	0.00
Certified Checks	0.00
Due to banks	545.00
Notes and Bills rediscouned	5,000.00
Bills payable	0.00
Other liabilities not included under any of the above heads	0.00
	\$ 81,286.94

State of Kentucky, | set

I, C. P. Shumate, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. C. P. SHUMATE.

Correct—Attest:

A. G. HARRINGTON
W. H. ELLIOTT
H. G. HALE

Directors

Submitted and sworn to before me by C. P. Shumate this 10th day of Dec., 1911.

My commission expires Jan. 17, 1914.

H. C. HALE,

[SEAL] Notary Public.

is one of the interesting points of the case—whether a body of water otherwise navigable is prevented from being so by obstructions that might be removed.

It will be also insisted that the state in the enactment of its land laws did not contemplate land covered by water. It will be argued that the policy of the state in granting lands is to build up and settle the country, to place on the land people to clear it and till the soil, and that a grant giving one man private dominion over a body of water must have been void. The state does not press this point against the Doherty grants.

Another insistence by the state is that an actual survey of the land with chains and pins, as required by law, was not made and could not have been made in water of that depth. The defendants meet all these contentions by relying on their grants as regular and insisting upon the fact that the water is not navigable.

Among the depositions to be read as evidence will be those of many noted characters of the Reelfoot Lake section. The state has introduced Col. Charles N. Gibbs, former secretary of state, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of that section; Uncle "Billy" Wilson, a former owner of the lake who yielded control upon the prospect of being made "fish bait" of; P. C. Ward, the proprietor of the Walnut Log Hotel, from which Capt. Rankin was taken and murdered; Sam Applewhite, one of the men charged with night-riding, and John Cahn, the crack shot of the duck section. For the defense, Col. R. Z. Taylor, who had such a harrowing experience with the night-riders, testifies to a personal survey of the entire lake. Practically every old citizen of that section has testified on one side or the other.

Rev. B. T. Gover, of Tullahoma, Tenn., is here this week in the interest of Home mission, Rescue and Charity work, looking after little children who may need homes. He finds one little girl in the east part of town—motherless and father in very poor health—whom he will provide a home for.

Mello, Chocolate Wafers, Sunshine Oatmen, Nabisco, Filigree Fingers, Pretzellets, Minaret Wafers, Lemon Biscuit Squares, Dinnies Biscuit, Festino, Saratoga Flakes, Social Teas, Oswego Biscuits, Albert Biscuits, Five O'clock Teas, Uneeda Lunch Biscuits, Fig Newtons, Cheese Sandwich, Lemon Snaps, Uneeda Finger Wafer, Baronet Biscuit, Vanilla Wafers at Ellison Bros.

For Rent

4 Pairs of Sporting Gum Boots.
1 L. C. Smith hammerless TRIPLE SAFETY double barrel gun.
1 WINCHESTER PUMP.
These guns are for rent.
See H. E. CURRIE.

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1911

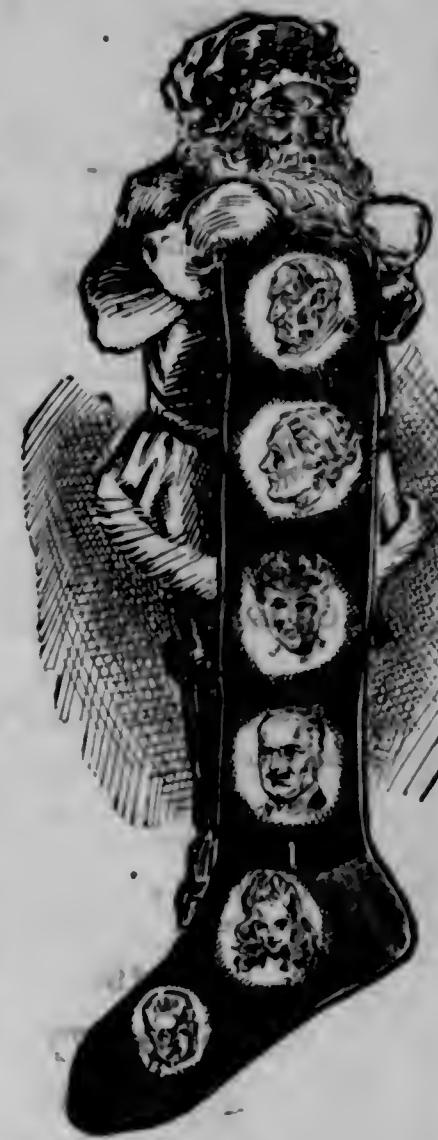
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This Paper
Always Stops

when your time is out. We don't believe in fooling paper on anyone. If you do not want to miss a copy, keep the subscription notice of expiration given here 15 days ahead with a Blue Mark.

The Christmas Store

That Offers Gifts for Every Member of the Family....



With Christmas only three shopping days distant, no time remains to look around or order, neither is their need if you'll come direct to this store.

We have on display, conveniently arranged, worthy gifts for every member of the family--something that carries sentiment, utility and appreciation. Now is the time when the store is at its best.

May we suggest as Appropriate and Acceptable Gifts:

For Men and Boys

Umbrellas	75c to \$6.00
Gloves	25c to \$2.00
Handkerchiefs	5c to 25c
Sweaters	75c to \$3.00
Beauty Pins	50c to 50c
Teddy Bear Blankets	75c to \$1.00
Fur Sets	\$2.75
Chateleine Bags	.25c to .75c
Hose	10c to 50c
Leggins	.50c to \$1.00
"Tess and Ted" Shoes	\$.75 to \$3.00
Cloaks	\$2.50 to \$15.00

For Children

Gloves	10c to 50c
Handkerchiefs	5c to 25c
Sweaters	75c to \$3.00
Beauty Pins	50c to 50c
Teddy Bear Blankets	75c to \$1.00
Fur Sets	\$2.75
Chateleine Bags	.25c to .75c
Hose	10c to 50c
Leggins	.50c to \$1.00
"Tess and Ted" Shoes	\$.75 to \$3.00
Cloaks	\$2.50 to \$15.00

The Morning is the Best Time to Shop.

COME EARLY

For Women

Gloves	25c to \$3.50
Handkerchiefs	5c to \$1.50
Sweaters	75c to \$1.50
Silk Scarfs	50c to \$1.50
Fancy Neckwear	25c to \$1.50
Collar, Belt, Waist Pins	10c to \$2.25
Comb, Bandeaux, Barrettes	.25c to \$3.50
Mesh, Velvet, Leather Bags	.50c to \$7
Silk and Lisle Hose	.25c to \$2.50
Towels	10c to \$1.50
Table Linen, a yard	.25c to \$1.50
Fancy Linen	10c to \$3.50
Blankets and Robes	.60c to \$7.50
Counterpanes	\$1.25 to \$5.00
Rugs	\$1.25 to \$25.00
Lap Robes	\$2.50 to \$7.00
Waists	\$1.25 to \$3.50
Coats and Suits	\$6 to \$25.00
Shoes	\$1.50 to \$5.00
House Slippers	\$1.25 to \$1.75
Xmas Seals and Boxes	
Etc., Etc., Etc.	

Come Here First and Save Useless Worry

Smith & Amberg



LAST COURIER FOR 1911.

With this issue of the Courier we finish our year's work and we print no paper next week. That may look to some folks like taking a lot of privilege—but the man who steals to the printing business through a year is entitled to a few privileges.

Even though we have had our share ups and downs, it might have been worse—and we are just as thankful as we can be. We have made the Courier as good as we knew how to make it. There was room for improvement, of course, but the Courier's friends have withheld criticism and endorsed the feeble efforts of its management—and those are the folks we are after in this article. We thank them for their support. They alone are responsible for making this the best business year in the

52 years of the Courier's public service. Some papers have done more—and a lot of them have done less (the unknown quantity being applicable to any branch of our business) than we have.

We have tried to merit the patronage we have enjoyed. Our efforts have been directed to serving the whole people—and the best, quaintest and fastest growing city under Uncle Sammy's flag. We may have in some instances—yea, several—grown too optimistic about Hickman and her future, and whatever apology is due therefor we herewith make and promise to do even worse during 1912 by spending the civic boozes on a little thicker. We believe there will be more knockers than over-boozers in the place our preachers warn us against. But this subject will keep until the new year.

Before ye editors leave in quest of

a week's rest and a table groaning beneath the weight of three square meals a day, we would add to our good-bye all the good wishes we are able to sum up. We trust you will all spend a happy Christmas; that the hearts of the little tots may be made joyous with the many good gifts of him—whose real identity all too soon becomes a matter of cold and disappointed fact. That we of more mature years may find contentment in celebrating the sacred occasion, that our hearts may well with glowing hope and promise, deriving pleasure from both the divine and material beauties which make Christmas the greatest of all holidays. And our older friends—whose hair is white with the passing of many such seasons—may God bless them and keep their hearts young. The return of the holidays will carry many of them back on the wings of time

to revel in the joys of long ago. May the blending of the sweet memories of yesterday with the cheerfulness and spirit of youth today make this Christmas a happy one. In fact, there is no joy too sweet—no blessing

—no life too serene—no Christmas too abundant with joy and peace for the people of Hickman and vicinity. The Courier wishes you all these—and many more.

Fine Clothing at Christmas Sale price.—Smith & Amberg.

The public schools of Hickman will observe a holiday from next Friday until the first Tuesday in January—10 days.

Our Christmas Clothing Sale is giving the men a chance to save money.—Smith & Amberg.

CONDENSED STATEMENT
of the condition of
**Hickman Bank
& Trust Co.**

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY

At Close of Business on December 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES

Loans, Discounts and Overdrafts	\$192,584.73
Stocks	100.00
Banking House and Furniture	2,000.00
CASH—Exchange	\$57,912.88
In Vaults	25,740.76 83,653.84
Total	\$278,338.37

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	32,500.00
Profits (less expenses and taxes paid)	3,787.33
DEPOSITS—Checking	\$158,226.09
On Interest	38,824.95 192,051.04
Total	\$278,338.37

I certify that the above is a correct, condensed report as submitted to the Secretary of State on above date.

W. C. REED, Cashier.

Below you will find a Statement of our Deposits on Dec 5th, for the last four years. Note the steady growth;

1908 \$119,477.05
1909 \$124,630.30
1910 \$152,075.09
1911 \$192,051.04

On the strength of the above statement, together with our past record of liberally conservative banking methods, we solicit your banking business, and assure you the same careful attention to your interests which has marked our dealings with the customers of this bank in the past.

We cordially invite you to call on us when in need of a banking accommodation, or when contemplating a change in your banking connections.

EXODUS OF DIVINES.

What's the matter here? The new year is going to find three of our churches—the Presbyterian, Christian and Baptist—without pastors.

Eld. Horace Silberell, of the Christian church, will go to Jackson, the county seat of Breathitt county—that wild and wooly region "from whence many travelers have never returned"—especially U. S. revenue men.

Rev. Spurgeon Wingo, of the First Baptist church, preached his farewell sermon last Sunday, and expects to leave shortly for Alabama, his work being near Birmingham.

Rev. W. G. Stockton, of the Presbyterian church, and who has been here longer than the other two gentlemen, also has the roving fever and expects to accept a call in West Tennessee.

The Courier is very sorry to know these gentlemen are to leave Hickman. Each of them have labored faithfully for the cause they represent, and we believe have accomplished much good for our people. The departure of these ministers, together with their families, will be deeply regretted by their many friends in Hickman. No special reason is assigned for the pastors resigning their respective charges at this place; but it is very evident there is a painful lack of co-operation on the part of our citizenship, as a whole, with the various churches of Hickman. The situation is rather a paradox inasmuch as our people are above the average in morality but show very little enthusiasm in religious matters and church attendance—taking the city at large. These facts may or may not have a bearing on the action of the departing preachers—at least, they have not expressed themselves on this subject.

But there's a reason.

\$500,000 Christmas Gift.

New York, Dec. 19.—Santa Claus dropped a second "half-million-dollar" necklace of pearls in New York City and the recipient is the young wife of Frank Jay Gould. The rope of gems is arranged in two perfectly graduated strands and recently was received from Paris. A third strand may soon be added, he says. The first half-million-dollar Christmas necklace went to the wife of Judge Gary of the Steel trust.

Italian Cholera Decreasing.
Chiasso, Switzerland, Dec. 19.—The official bulletin issued by the Italian government regarding the cholera epidemic in Italy shows that the disease has decreased during the week of Dec. 3-9, when there were 27 cases and 26 deaths reported.

Lyman Abbott 70 Years Old.
New York, Dec. 19.—Dr. Lyman Abbott, the noted clergymen, author and editor, received many congratulations Monday on his 70th birthday anniversary. Dr. Abbott was born in Roxbury, Mass., Dec. 18, 1835.

Our Christmas Clothing Sale is just what the men have been waiting for.—Smith & Amberg.

Miss Nettie Howell, who has been here attending school, will leave for her home at Paragould, Saturday, to spend the holidays and will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Choate and son. Mrs. Choate will visit her sisters, Mrs. Howell and Mrs. Smith, of that place.

You men can afford a new suit and overcoats at the price we are now selling them.—Smith & Amberg.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Otto Saunders and Miss Lizzie Burrus, the ceremony to be performed next Monday, at the home of the bride in Woodland Mills. Miss Burrus is the charming daughter of Mrs. J. H. Kennedy. Mr. Saunders is a son of Prof. J. H. Saunders, of Route 4, and a deserving young man.

IN A GENERAL WAY

The Christmas store.—Smith & Amberg.

Fair weather is predicted for tomorrow.

Boys' clothing at reduced prices.—Smith & Amberg.

Your Christmas money goes farther at Leibovitz.

Citron, Figs, Raisins, Dates, Stuffed Dates at Ellison Bros.

E. C. Davis was here from Louisville on business Tuesday.

How nice a new set of table linen would be.—Smith & Amberg.

Every article in our stock is a sensible gift.—Smith & Amberg.

Our handkerchiefs are the talk of the town.—Smith & Amberg.

Rugs, Rugs, Rugs, in new patterns for the holidays.—Smith & Amberg.

A beautiful line of new room size rugs just received.—Smith & Amberg.

Appropriate presents for every member of the family.—Smith & Amberg.

Portieres and curtains make useful and appropriate gifts.—Smith & Amberg.

Kid gloves for gifts, long and short length—\$1.00 to \$3.50.—Smith & Amberg.

Imported and domestic handkerchiefs, 5c to \$1.50.—Smith & Amberg.

Buy your Christmas suit here and save from \$2.00 to \$5.00.—Smith & Amberg.

Almonds, Chestnuts, Filberts, English Walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Cocoanuts at Ellison Bros.

A big line of ladies and children sweater coats. A useful gift.—Smith & Amberg.

Hickman Lodge No 761 F. & A. M. will hold annual election of officers next Wednesday night.

The best of candies, including chocolates at 10 cents the pound and half pound at Ellison Bros.

S. P. Henry returned from Nashville Sunday. His many friends will be glad to learn that he has fully recovered from the operation that was recently performed.

Just get your wife a nice Singer Sewing Machine for a Christmas gift. No gift would be so good and appreciated and so much needed in a home. See L. A. Brock.

The continued rains of last night and this morning causes the merchants to wear a long face.

Nick Holcombe sends the Courier for one year as a Christmas present to his brothers, T. A. Holcombe, Greenville, Miss., C. W. Holcombe, Phoenix, Miss., W. E. Holcombe, Magnolia, Miss.

F. E. Luttrell left Wednesday for Sturgis, Ky., to visit his mother during the holidays. From there he goes to Crosby, Ark., to make his future home, having purchased a 200 acre farm, near that city.

Mrs. H. T. Davis and Mrs. J. L. Amberg gave a linen shower for Mrs. H. G. Hale, Jr., Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hale was the recipient of numerous beautiful and useful linen pieces. A salad course was served.

The Last Call
For Christmas

Remember

The Christmas Store
Is Up-Stairs

At

Ellison Bros.

Where you will find our big room full
of nothing but Christmas Goods

Come Quick

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births.

To Dick Nolan and wife on Dec. 6, a girl.

To C. Singleton and wife, Dec. 6, a boy.

To Lamey W. Herryman and a boy, Dec. 6, a boy.

To May Fickett and wife, Nov. 28, a girl.

To Tom E. Anderson and Dec. 12, a girl.

Deaths.

Olivia Millet, age 75 years, from apoplexy.

W. W. Aylor, age 3 years, Dec. 1, whooping cough.

Frank Thompson, (col) age 73 died.

Gus Moore has moved to his new home from Cincinnati this week.

An hour's shopping in the morning is worth two in the afternoon.

Smith & Amberg.

Miss Charlotte Hubbard has moved home from Cincinnati this week to spend Christmas.

Frank Smith will be home from Nashville Saturday to spend the days. He is attending Vanderbilt University.

**Luxurious Davenport Beds
Rockers Furniture for Xmas**

We have a nice line of SPECIAL BARGAINS
for Christmas.

CALL AND LET US SHOW YOU OUR LINE

Next Door to Post Office.

Hickman Furniture Co.

INCORPORATED

YOU'VE
BEEN
DREAMING

of an overcoat of a certain model, made of a material strong, soft, warm and wooly — a coat that will snuggle neatly at the neck and hang from the shoulders with a swell swing that is manly.

Wake Up

and come here today and we will make your dream come true.

The price is easy enough to make the awakening pleasant

\$18.50, \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00

Plenty of good suits of other makes at
\$8.50 to \$16.50



Leibovitz
Made in Syracuse, N.Y.

KENTUCKY STATE NOTES.
Items Gathered From
Over The State.

Frankfort.—The first act of the new Governor after he had taken the oath of office, was to appoint four Colonels on his personal staff. He appointed Chas. H. Norton, William Tholheimer and Rudy Vogt, of Louisville, and John McNabb, of Lexington. The commissions had been made out by Dr. Helen L. Brunner, Secretary of State, and were lying on the Governor's desk when he went to his office, after shaking hands with thousands of people. The first of the new officers to take the oath of office was Col. Thomas Smith, of Richmond, the Governor's private secretary. Col. Smith was sworn in as secretary by Miss Minnie Lee McDaniel, of the Secretary of State's office. The oath was administered in the Governor's private office.

Last Act of Gov. Wilson.

The last official act of Gov. Wilson was to certify to the National Congress that the Kentucky Legislature had approved the income tax amendment to the National Constitution. This certificate has been made twice before but there was something irregular about it each time. Before he went out of office, however, Gov. Wilson made two appointments. He appointed Harrison Simpson a justice of the peace in Casey county and Wm. Hall, Jr., police judge of Simpsonville.

Gov. Wilson also appointed Roy Wilholt, of Ashland and Louisville, a Colonel on his staff and the title that he now wears of Colonel. Col. Wilholt is a coal magnate, having a newly developed mine in Harlan county. He has been secretary to the Railroad Commission for four years but it now engaged in developing Eastern Kentucky coal mines.

Tip Heldeman For Adjutant General.

That Col. W. B. Heldeman, editor of the Louisville Times, will be offered and will accept the appointment as Adjutant-General of Kentucky in a few weeks, is the belief of those best posted politicians in Frankfort. It is said that Gov. McCreary will offer the place to Col. Heldeman and that the Louisville newspaper man and former colonel of the First Kentucky Infantry will accept. Nothing has been said to Col. Heldeman about the appointment and he has refused to discuss the matter, saying he knew nothing of his appointment and would cross that bridge when he reached it.

Col. Heldeman is one of the best known and most popular men in Kentucky and he has had great military experience. He is a veteran of the southern confederacy, having served through the civil war with distinction. He was at the head of the Louisville regiment of the Kentucky national guard for several years and built up that organization to a high state of efficiency.

Good Place Yet Astray.

It is said that the appointee has not been agreed upon and that an effort is being made to find a man who will satisfy Henry Bosworth, state auditor-elect, who will make the appointment, and the other leaders of the party who had a prominent part in the recent campaign. It is said that Mr. Bosworth is willing to appoint a man who helped in the recent Democratic victory, but the man must be one who is acceptable to Mr. Bosworth.

With nearly all of the good places under the next administration already parceled out there yet remains one good position that has not been filled; at least, if it has been filled, nobody seems to be able to discover who the lucky man is. That place is insurance commissioner, one of the best jobs at the capitol. It not only pays well, but it also offers a man a fine chance to land in a good business position after the four years' work for the state is finished.

Reception Held By Governor.

After the inaugural ceremonies were over and the new Governor had taken the oath of office, Gov. McCreary and Lieut. Gov. McDermott held a public reception in the handsome state reception room in the Capitol. Gov. Wilson, the retiring Governor, received with Gov. McCreary and they were assisted by Col. Thos. Smith, Gov. McCreary's secretary and the state officials.

First Steps Taken.

Word of the impending strike was received Sunday from Chicago, where a meeting of representatives of the Illinois Central and Merriman lines machinists was held. At that meeting it was decided to discuss a general strike at the St. Louis conference.

Garnett Said To Be Chosen.

An intimate personal friend of Jas. Garnett, attorney general-elect, who was in Frankfort, said that the appointment of a first assistant attorney general has been made, but will not be made public for the present.

The man who has been appointed, it is said, is known widely for his legal attainments. Two men could have had the appointment had they wanted it.

One of these was Charles R. McDowell, of Danville. The other is Edward Hines of Louisville. The truth of the report is soon to be known.

Hickman Courier and Commercial-
Appeal \$1.25.

A gift bought here will not disappoint in service and cause unpleasant thoughts of the giver.—Smith & Amberg.

I have a few leather suit cases to close out at cost. Nothing more practical for a Xmas gift.—Leibovitz.

The attractive feature at Leibovitz's this week is the prevailing low prices on men's and boys' high grade suits and overcoats.

Special reductions on men's and boys' suits and overcoats.—Leibovitz.

The Courier editors will leave this week for Missouri to spend the holidays, but our foreman, Geo. D. Armitage will be here most of the time during our absence and is authorized to accept all subscription money drifting along. No printing of any kind will be done next week.

Moving Pictures Saturday night.

Make Your Xmas Gifts

Practical Ones....

Why not give for Christmas sure enough practical gifts in the way of wearing apparel? My line of Men's and Boys' Suits, Overcoats, Shoes, Hats, Shirts, Underwear, Furnishings, etc., cannot be surpassed when it comes to quality and prices. Better goods for less money, because my business expense is much lighter than others.

Come In And Be Convinced

Leibovitz
MEN'S COMPLETE OUTFITTER

Where Quality Reigns Higher than Price.

CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY



Every Year About This Time the Kids Begin to Follow Him.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

The Methodist church will be ready for worship next Sunday. "Homecoming" and Christmas services will be held for Sunday School at 9:45 promptly; also at the preaching hour, 11 a. m. It is urged that all members of the school be present and visitors are cordially invited. Every member of the church is requested to attend preaching services at 11 a. m. at 7 p. m. A hearty invitation is extended to all present—old and young.

Services and practice for Christmas at East Hickman Chapel Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Members of school are requested to be present; also parents. Christmas tree at the Chapel Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

CECIL CLAY DEAD.

Cecil Clay, age about 32, an old Hickman boy, died Sunday night at 10 o'clock in the Cook County Hospital, in Chicago. The cause of his death is not known but it is thought to have been tuberculosis. The body is now enroute to Hickman for burial.

Deceased was reared in this city, and is well known to our citizens. For several years he has been residing in Chicago but spent a few months here with relatives last summer. Clay was a fine violinist and his principal occupation was orchestra work.

He is survived by a sister, Mrs. W. A. Dodds, and a brother, Henry Clay, both of Hickman.

Burial will take place at the city cemetery possibly this afternoon, but final arrangements have not been announced.

The bereaved ones have the sympathy of their friends.

Xmas gifts for men; the right kind at the right place at Leibovitz.

The Episcopal Christmas tree will be had at the Church Monday night at 7 o'clock.

Here's your Xmas gift. Several dollars off on your new suit or overcoat.—Leibovitz.

.. We Thank Our Friends..

for the liberal patronage given us
during the present year and most
sincerely

Wish You a Merry Christmas

AND
A Happy, Prosperous New Year

Hickman Drug Company
incorporated.
"The Rexall Store"



BOOKS Magazines Stationery and COURTESY

YOUR enjoyment of a visit to this store is made greater by the unfailing courtesy you receive. It is one of the rocks on which our business is built. A full stock of the latest magazines, and the latest designs in stationery are carried here. Leave your subscriptions here for the Hickman News Co. for the magazine you want to send to some one for a Christmas present.

Come in and Inspect our stock.

Helm & Ellison

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Industrial League (incorporated) will be held at its office in Hickman, Fulton, County, Kentucky, on Tuesday after the first Monday in January 1912 at 2:30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. This December 18th, 1911.—Walter L. Brown, President.

Wine Sap Apples, Arkansas Blacks, Grimes Golden Apples, Grape Fruit, Fresh Pineapples, Florida Oranges, all sizes, Bananas, Malaga Grapes, Catawba Grapes at Ellison Bros.

Christmas slippers for men, women and children.—Smith & Aulberg.

HIGH WATER AGAIN.

The river has been rising for several days and has reached sufficient height to cover considerable low land; incidentally washing away thousands of dollars worth of corn, no small amount of which is in the upper bottom above Hickman. We have in mind one man who will lose 60 acres without an ear being gathered.

Although the river is about stationary now, the government reports would indicate a rainy week is ahead of us, with much rain and snow, which will, if the predictions come true, have a tendency to cause still more water.

Dressed Turkeys, Dressed Hens, Dressed Geese, Dressed Ducks, Wild Ducks and fresh Dressed Croppies at Ellison Bros. Meat Market.

ONE PRICE

HOUSE OF QUALITY

My dear Sir:—

Just at this time we are about to start upon a new year, we desire to again call your attention to the fact it is our earnest and constant endeavor to please every patron of this store perfectly—to carry out in fact our oft repeated guarantee of satisfaction or your money back.

No dealer anywhere examines their goods with greater care, and none are more particular about the kind of goods they sell, but we are only human, hence we sometimes make mistakes of judgment.

We make satisfaction sure by guaranteeing it, and we carry that guarantee out to the letter. We want your business for 1912, and we want your friend's business and your friend's friend's business.

We consider the advertising our customers give us the best advertising we can have for this store, therefore we make it a point to see to it that every customer of ours get full value for every dollar he spends here. A part of your business is solicited.

H. E. CURLIN

HOUSE OF QUALITY

ONE PRICE

SCHOOL ROLL OF HONOR

At the first examination just completed in the Hickman school, the following pupils show by reaching the highest marks in each grade that they are on the shining pathway to success:

Seniors.

Lon Naylor, Jr. 87.7
Nannie Smith. 86.5
Pansy Weatherly. 85.7

Juniors.

Lillian Coffey. 98.6
Lillie Hackett. 98.4

Irene Thompson. 96.8

Louie Shuff. 96.6

Ella Monnn. 95.4

Prather Saunders. 95.4

Tenth Grade

Laverne Threlkeld. 95

Lena Creed. 92.5

Roy Journey. 92

Dee McNeal. 89.3

Luetta Lunsford. 89.2

Lizzie Pickett. 89

Ninth Grade

Marshall McDaniel. 97.7

Lexie Rice. 97.5

Baltzer Dodds. 96

Aubra Townsend. 95.7

Lucile Gabby. 95.5

Guy Ledwidge. 94.7

Eight Grade

Milton Blackett. 97

Porter Pierce. 96.4

Helen Tyler. 91.6

Scott Collino. 91.4

Olney Johnson. 90

Irene Bruer. 87.6

Sallie Roper. 87.6

Seventh Grade

Nina Bonduant. 96.6

Rebecca Easley. 96

Lucile Barnes. 95.4

Lorene Davis. 93.8

Virna Harris. 93

Mary Kimbro. 92.4

Sixth Grade

Arthur Louis Threlkeld. 98

Claude Bruce. 95

Henry Royer. 94.1

Fairra Royer. 91.3

Beatrice Gore. 91.1

George Newton. 89.8

Fifth Grade

Anita Dodds. 97.2

Helen Rice. 95.4

Anna Lynn Dodds. 94.3

Kent Hamby. 94.3

Lo'e Choate. 93

Louelle Leet. 92

Christine Smotherman. 91.5

Fourth Grade

Inez Housley. 96

Richard Prather. 94.8

Annie Ellison. 94.6

Maggie Choate. 92

Cowgill Helm. 91

Cordie Ray. 90.8

The Courier will be just as acceptable as a New Year's present as a Christmas gift. Nearly every one has an old friend or relative away from Hickman who would enjoy reading this paper. Try it.

Get your money's worth at Hickman Furniture Co.

Appropriate Gifts For Men and Boys

Most everything you can imagine in articles which are apt to bring happiness to a man's heart can be had here of the choicest grades.

The things suggested below are appropriate and useful and you will not pay an exorbitant price:

GLOVES, Suede, Mocha and Cape Kid.

NECKWEAR, Knitted and Imported Silks, boxed.

SCARF PINS TIE CLASPS.

SILK AND LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, in fancy boxes.

COMBINATION SETS, Hose and Tie to match.

MUFFLERS, REEFERS AND MOTOR SCARFS.

SUSPENDER SETS, Arm Bands and Garters to Match.

SILK HOSE, 2 pairs in fancy box.

SILK HOSE, 1 pair in fancy box.

LISLE HOSE, 4 pairs in fancy box.

UMBRELLAS, Mission and Fancy Handles.

GLOVES, wool and silk lined.

SWEATERS, Men's and Boys', in plain and fancy colors.

LADIES' SILK AND LISLE HOSIERY.

DRESS SHIRTS, plain white and plaited, and fancy patterns.

HATS, soft and derby styles.

MEN'S AND BOYS' HIGH GRADE CAPS.

MEN'S, WOMEN'S, BOYS' AND MISSES' FINE SHOES.

No matter what you may require in these various lines, we have it in great variety.

MILLET & ALEXANDER



JOHN P. WHITE,
President of United Mine Workers.

who is rendering great assistance to the widows and orphans of 96 miners killed in the terrible explosion of the Briceville, Tenn., coal mine, last week.

Ladies, don't fail to have your husband buy a new suit for Christmas. He can afford it at the prices we are now selling them.—Smith & Aulberg.

IN MEMORIAM.

Just as the new day was dawning Dec. 7th, our friend and co-worker, Mrs. R. E. Millet, entered into eternal rest. To express our grief for her loss or our love and admiration for her character is difficult. For many years she was a faithful worker and worshiper in the church she loved so well. Her interest, wise counsel and lofty ideals were still an inspiration to us when because of ill health she could no longer attend the meeting. Her very name is synonymous with all that is pure and beautiful.

Her lovely Christian character, full of charity and understanding, loyalty to her friends and her devotion to her loved ones call forth the greatest admiration of all who knew her. Her charm and grace of manner, person and deeply sympathetic nature won the hearts of even the little children who feeling her love and tenderness for the innocence of youth were drawn to her.

On all occasions, both of joy and sorrow, among a large circle of

friends, it was her presence that was most desired. It was her voice that comforted the grief stricken as her gentle hands beautifully and tenderly draped a love form. It was her cheery voice and bright face that told of how she entered into the happiness and holiness of the occasion when the wedding bells rang out for her friends. None was ever more useful or more loved. Gentle, thoughtful and kind always. Even the birds attested as they fluttered around her door and window, missing the hand that gave them their daily bread.

No flowers grew as her flowers. None more responded to the touch of her hand. In the beauty of their freshness and delicate arrangement, her presence was felt when they went with loving messages to the happy bride or to be put on a bier as an expression of sincere sympathy for some broken heart.

The word "Welcome" never pervaded the atmosphere of a home more warmly than in that of Mr. and Mrs. Millet. In the strength of their young days their home was famous for its cheer and hospitality. Hosts of friends gathered in that tasteful and beautifully kept home to share the warmth of their fireside and the bounty of their board. We tender our love and sympathy to her bereaved family and mourn with them but rejoice that we knew her and had the blessed privilege of her presence these years.

We know she loved and trusted her Saviour and lived in the faith and hope of the fulfillment of the promises to those who overcometh. Surely believing:

"And with the morn those angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since
and lost awhile."

Members of the Guild, St. Paul's Church.

Fresh Tomatoes, Lettuce, California Celery, Cranberries, Red Holland Cabbage, Parsnips, Turnips, Sweet Potatoes and Irish Potatoes at Ellison Bros.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

CAPT. W. B. JONES DEAD.

Capt. W. B. Jones, age 79, died at his home near Lodging Sunday night of the infirmities of advanced age. He was a member of the 33rd Tennessee Infantry, and one of the most daring and fearless soldiers who fought under Southern flag. The citizens of this county have long held in higher esteem than this grand old man. His passing will be deeply regretted by all who know him.

Deceased was a brother of Mrs. C. Roper, of near this city. He was a Christian gentleman and a Mason of high standing. Funeral took place at the Poplar Grove cemetery Tuesday afternoon, the services being in charge of the Masonic lodge.

NOTICE.

On and after Tuesday, Dec. 26th our store will close every evening except Saturday, at 6 o'clock. Our patrons will please note this and make their purchase before that hour.—Ellison Bros.

See Hammond & Allen for glass. Get the best at Hickman Furniture Co.

J. W. Morris was in Fulton Tuesday.

Everything good to eat at Ellison Bros.

Best Ky. Lump Coal at \$3.75.—A. A. Paris.

FOR SALE: Good young horses suitable for school boy.—J. C. Newell.

The famous Modjeska Caramels, for the first time in the History of Hickman at Debow's.

Get it quick if you want it—Ky. Lump coal at \$3.75. Getting higher in price every day.—A. A. Paris.

Jim Capes was fined \$60 and cost Tuesday by Judge Naylor for selling whiskey. Capes has been before the Judge on the same charge before.

Capt. Ben L. Capel, of Memphis, and Miss Elvira Gardner, of Union City, were united in marriage by Rev. W. T. Boiling, Saturday morning. The bride, daughter of W. H. Gardner, is well known in Hickman.